



## City recognizes Ken Bowman



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At Forsyth's Dec. 19 council meeting, Ken Bowman was on the agenda to present the Convention & Visitors Bureau's 2017 budget for review. Mayor Eric Wilson took the opportunity to thank Bowman for the enormous amount of time he has given to the city, and Bonnie Barker and Kerri Swearingen surprised Bowman with a plaque thanking him for his vision and a Christmas arrangement for his wife on behalf of the CVB.

Bowman told the council at a previous meeting that he was resigning from the boards of the CVB and Downtown Development Authority because of expansions at his Forsyth KOA Campground over the next two years and for health considerations. He has served as chair of the CVB board during its first year-and-a-half as it resolved the details of its operation. Service on both boards is volunteer.

Barker said she has enjoyed working with Bowman on the DDA board over the last four years, with Bowman currently serving as vice chair and Barker as chair. She praised his vision and guidance in establishing the CVB.

Bowman presented council a picture of the council members, mayor and city manager riding on the KOA train in Forsyth's Hometown Holidays Parade on Dec. 1. He said he will be glad to provide the KOA train for their use in the parade next year.