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Henderson County Manager Steve Wyatt receives John Whitehurst Service Award

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Henderson County Manager Steve Wyatt received the prestigious John Whitehurst Service Award at the North Carolina City & County Management Association (NCCCMA) Winter Seminar on Thursday, February 4, 2021, for his service and dedication to local government management.

The award, given only when exceptional candidates are nominated, was developed “to honor North Carolina managers who follow Mr. Whitehurst’s example of consistency and diligence in his support of all local government professionals.”

Wyatt has more than 38 years of city and county management experience and has been the Henderson County Manager since 2006. His previous local government management experience includes stints in Moore, Polk and Catawba County, the Town of Chadbourn and Kingstree, SC.

An alumnus of Appalachian State University (ASU) in Boone, N.C., Wyatt was a founding member and past president of ASU Local Government Alumni Association, whose mission is to support professional training and continuing education. He has been presented with their Distinguished Alumni Award, and served as the Chairman of the University Board of Visitors.

He has been actively involved with the NCCCMA throughout his career. He has served on the Emergency Response Committee, the Budget Committee, and the Scholarship Committee. In addition to serving on the Membership Support Committee, he is also a past Chairman. He has also served colleagues across the state through his work with the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. He has served on the Finance and Taxation Policy Committee, the Legislative Goals Committee and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Lee County Manager John Crumpton, in a letter of nomination, stated “I cannot think of another manager who has devoted himself to the profession as has Steve Wyatt”, this award is well deserved and a result “of the love he has for our profession and the people in it.”

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