

WFBZ

BC-126
June 1975

AM

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

#5079

Date first licensed JANUARY 4, 1979

Call letters WFBZ

Station location Minocqua, Wis.

Name of licensee FREDRICK H. BIERBAUM

7380 Highway 51, Minocqua, Wisconsin (BMP 1-30-78)

Transmitter location ^x0.2 mi. E of Hwy 51, 1 mi. SE of Minocqua, Wis. (P-8-10-77)

Main studio location 7380 Hwy 51, Monocqua, Wisconsin (P-8-10-77)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div	Period From - To
BP-20,634 (L)	8-10-77	1570khz	1kw-DAY		8-10-78
		CP for new Standard broadcast station			
BP-20,634(1)	10-25-77	CALL LETTERS & EBSA ASSIGNED			
BMP-14,518(L)	1-30-78	Mod. of CP(BP20,634) to chg. TL.			
BMP-780713AG (L)	9-20-78	MP(BP-20,634, as mod) to chg. theoretical efficiency; delete KC.			10-30-78
BL-780713AH(L)	1-4-79	Lic. to cover BP-20,634 as mod. for changes			12-1-79
BP-801030AL	12-4-80	CP to replace expired permit. Permit Expires:			1-31-81
BP-800624AK (L)	1-30-81	1570khz	- 2.5kw DAYTIME		1-30-82
		CP to incre. pwr & mke chgs ant sys.			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FREDRICK H. BIERBAUM

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XNEW

Name XLAKELAND COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
Minocqua, Wisconsin P. O. Box 584, Minocqua, Wis. 54548

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-20,634 -BP-20,033	8-19-75	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station on: Freq. 1570khz. Power 1kw Hours of operation: Daytime Transmitter: Collins 620D-1 Trans. loc. 0.2 mi. E. of Hy. 51, 1 mi. SE of Minocqua, Wisconsin. Studio loc. & RC 7360 Hy. 51, Minocqua, Wisconsin. 45° 51' 27" 89° 42' 1"	GRANTED	8-10-77
Rec'd	8-20-75			to
Filed				8-10-78
\$200-467283	8-20-75			
AC-001				
PN filed	6-9-76			
Amended	5-18-76			
\$200-589574	7-9-76			
				Atty: John H. Ames Eng. Ralph E. Evans
		Amended 5-18-76 re Sect II {legal}, Sect III {financial}, & chg. name to: Fred H. Bierbaum Section IV-A and Section VI		

Amended 7-8-77 re: additional infor., Affidavit, Survey of Community Leaders

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W F B Z
Letters

Name Frederick H. Bierbaum
Minocqua, Wisconsin

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-14,518 R & F PRESS: NOV 8 1977	11-2-77	Mod. of CP(BP-20,634) to chg. TL: 7380 Hwy 51, Wisconsin 45° 49' 13" 89° 43' 27" REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.24 OF COMMISSION RULES ATTY: Richard Bodorff Ltr. 11-7-77 re: expedite processing	ACCEPTED	
	11-7-77		AND	
			GRANTED	1-30-78

BMP-780713AG R & F PRESS: AUG 16 1978	7-13-78	MP (BP-20,634, as mod) to chg. theoretical efficiency from 183 mv/m to 193 mv/m Atty: Richard J. Bodorff (Fisher, Wayland, etc.) Engr: Ralph Evans	GRANTED	9-20-78
	7-13-78			

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1570khz

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Letters W F B ZName FREDRICK H. BIERBAUM
Minocqua, Wisconsin

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-780713AH R & F FTA PRESS	7-27-78 NOV 28 1978	Lic. to cover BP-20,634 as mod. for changes Atty Richard J. Boedorff (Fisher, Wayland, etc.)	GRANTED	1-4-79
BR790730VA PRESS	SEP 18 1979	Renewal of License Atty.: Richard J. Bodorff	ISSUED	
BL-781120AJ R & F FTA PRESS	11-20-78 12-7-78	Lic. to cover BMP-780713AG for changes Atty: Martin R. Leader (Fisher, Wayland, etc.)	ISSUED	
BP-800624AK (C) ACCEPTED CUT OFF DATE	10-28-80 12-5-80	Construction permit to increase power to 2.5 KW and make chgs in antenna system ATTY: Richard Bodorff (OVER)	GRANTED Con'd	1-30-81

BP-800624AK

1-23-81

public Notice,

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

1570KHz.

Call Letters: W F B Z

Name: FREDERICK H. BIERBAUM

Station Location: MINOCQUA, WISCONSIN

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BP801030AL PRESS (0)	NOV 21 1980	Construction Permit to Replace Expired Permit (BMP-780713AG). Atty. Richard J. Bodorff (Fisher, Wayland, Southmayd etc.)	GRANTED 12-4-80
BZ-810701AR R & F DM PRESS	7-1-81 7-17-81 AUG 23 1981	DIRECT MEASUREMENT Atty: ---	gr. 7-17-81 ISSUED

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form – 3" by 5" filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

