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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-7-56Call letters W G H N
Station Location: Grand Haven, Michigan

COMMUNITY BROADCASTERS, INC. (CP 4-4-54) (FF: 2-2-64)

Name of licensee GRAND HAVEN BROADCASTING COMPANYTransmitter location 170th Avenue at Denmark Rd. Grand Haven, Michigan (L. 5-21-61)
East of and adjacent to city dump, Grand Haven, Michigan (CP 4-4-56)
(Lic. 9-7-56)

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Main studio location 222 1/2 Washington Street, Grand Haven, Michigan (CP 4-4-56) (Lic. 9-7-56)

Form BC 126

June 1954

Official No. 3309

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-7-56

Call letters WJTV

Station location Iron Haven, Michigan

Name of licensee X GRAND HAVEN BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location _____

Main Studio Location _____

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

APPL. NO.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME DIV.	PERIOD FROM TO
BR-3309	5-26-61	1370kc	500w	Day	5-26 10-1-61
	License to cover CP (CP-10-23), as mod. by art. 1, -trans. loc., -freq. chng. to 1370kc, and install antenna, insull. for trans., to operate as a radio station.				
BR-3309	2-5-62	Renewal of license			2-5 10-1-64
BR-3309 EFF	1-23-64 2-2-64	Voluntary acquisition of positive TC			10-1-64
BR-3309	9-11-64	1370kc, 500w,		Day	10-1 10-1-67
BS-3309 (1)	2-13-67	Mod. of lic. to re-determine coordinates (Memo)			
BR-3309	7-8-67	1370kc	500w	Day	10-1 10-1-70
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BP-17863 FORFEITED	1-21-69	1370kc	500w-DA-N U		9-21-69
	CP to change hours of operation to Unlimited, using power of 500w, install DA-N.				
BR-3309(S)	9-30-70	RENEWAL			10-1-73
BTC-6716 EBSA	11-30-71 6-12-72	VOL. acq. of positive TC			
BR-3309	11-9-73	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (LONG)			10-1-76
BR-3309(S)	9-15-76	RENEWAL			10-1-79
BZ-9592(L)	2-13-78	Direct Measurement			10-1-79

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FORM A-170

Call Letters **W G H N**
NewName **GRAND HAVEN BROADCASTING COMPANY**
PO 128 1/2 Washington St., Grand Haven, Mich.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-10,231	11-18-55	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station: Frequency: 1370kc Power: 500w Hours of Operation: Daytime Trans. Location: East of and adjacent to city dump, Grand Haven, Michigan Studio Location: 128 1/2 Washington St. Grand Haven, Michigan Remote Control Point: Same as studio	GRANTED	4-4-56
Rec'd	11-28-55		Cond'l re horizontal inverse distance field intensity at 1 mile shall be reduced to 175 mv/m per kilowatt by the addition of a resistor.	
Filed	11-28-55		Before prog. tests auth. must submit measurements to show radiation has been reduced as proposed; and before prog. tests auth. Runyan and Smith shall sever all connections with WOOD and WOOD-TV, Grand Rapids, Mich., in accordance with statement contained in their appli.	

GATES BC-500D

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Letters W.G.H.N.

Name ...GRAND HAVEN BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-7242 Rec'd Filed	6-5-56 6-6-56 6-6-56	Modification of construction permit (BP-10,231 which auth. a new standard broadcast station) to change type transmitter (Composite)	GRANTED Cond'l re measurements to prove compliance of proposed Composite (Collins 202-A, mod.) trans., with Sections 3.48 & 2.524 of Comm. Rules.	6-19-56
BL-6246 Rec'd Filed	7-7-56 7-12-56 7-12-56	License to cover construction permit BP-10,231 as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	9-7-56
BTC-2340 Rec'd Filed	10-2-56 10-4-56 10-4-56	Voluntary acquisition of positive control (55%) of licensee corporation by Hilbert F. Wulf through the purchase of stock from Joseph F. Deeb.	GRANTED EFF:	11-20-56 9-15-56

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Name GRAND HAVEN BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-11,160 Rec'd Filed	3-15-57 3-18-57 3-18-57	Construction permit to make changes in antenna system. SEE AMENDMENT BELOW *	DOCKET NO. 12110 DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE REQUEST OF APPLICANT	ORDER 10-16-59
BTC-2468 Rec'd Filed	4-2-57 4-5-57 4-5-57	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Hilbert F. Wulf to Hilbert F. Wulf, Helen M. Wulf and The Michigan Trust Company and Walter K. Schmidt, Trustees of the Anna Wulf Trust, Frederick Wulf Trust, Joan C. Wulf Trust and Janie Wulf Trust, A Partnership, d/b as Homeport Company	GRANTED EFF	4-18-57 5-27-57
BP-11,160 *AMENDMENT Rec'd Filed	3-22-58 3-26-58 4-2-58	AMENDED (order) to increase power from 500w to 1kw; change antenna-trans. location from East of and adjacent to city dump, Grand Haven, Mich to 178th Ave. at Comstock Road, Grand Haven, Mich. install directional antenna (PA-D) and new trans (GATES BC 1J) and delete remote control oper. of trans. Engr. - E.M. ^{C.S.} Mann, ^{WASHINGTON, D.C.} Jr., Coldwater, Mich.	See above for action	

SEE AMENDMENT ON CARD #4

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-3309 Rec'd Filed	7-2-58 7-7-58 7-7-58	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-3-58
BP-11,160 AMENDMENT R & F	(cont'd) 2-24-59 2-27-59	Amended to change hours of operation from Daytime to Unlimited using power of 500w-1kwLS and employing directional antenna night & day (DA-D to DA-2); make changes in DA system (one add'l tower & incr. hght); changes in ground sys. AMENDED to make changes in DA system(dec.hgt of towers)	See card 3 for action	
AMENDED R. & F.	4-5-59 5-6-59			
BP-14230 Rec'd Filed	6-30-60 7-5-60 7-5-60	Construction permit to change antenna-trans. location -----from East of and adjacent to city dump, Grand Haven, Mich to 178th Ave. at Comstock Road, Grand Haven, Mich.; make changes in antenna system (decrease height); changes in ground system; install new transmitter (Raytheon RA-1000);	GRANTED	7-22-60

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-3541 Rec'd Resub. R & F.	8-19-60 8-29-60 9-7-60 9-12-60	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Hilbert F. Wulf and Homeport Company, a limited Michigan Co-Partnership to Richard D. Gillespie and Cecil H. Gillespie	RETURNED Transferee's exhibits dated after appl. & Sect. IV, Para. 9 not answered.	9-2-60 GR. 11-8-60 EFF: 11-21-60
EMP-9133 Rec'd Filed	9-8-60 9-12-60 9-12-60	Modification of C. P. (EP-14230, which auth. chg. ant. - trans. location; make chges. in ant. system; chges in ground system & install new trans.) to change type transmitter. (Collins 20V-2)	GRANTED	9-27-60
BTC-3564 Rec'd Filed	10-14-60 10-17-60 10-17-60	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of licensee corporation by Hilbert F. Wulf thru purchase of stock from Robert L. Smith.	GRANTED EFF:	11-8-60 11-21-60

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COMMUNITY BROADCASTERS, INC.

Name GRAND HAVEN BROADCASTING COMPANYGrand Haven, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-8242 Rec'd Filed	10-31-60 11-16-60 11-16-60	License to cover construction permit (BP-14,230, as mod.) which authorized change in antenna-transmitter location, make changes in antenna and ground system, install new transmitter and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location.	GRANTED	6-25-61
BR-3309 R. & F.	9-13-61 9-18-61	Renewal of License.	GRANTED	2-5-62
EAL-4969 R. & F.	11-22-63 11-26-63	Voluntary assignment of license to COMMUNITY BROADCASTERS, INC. Atty-Robert F. Jones	GRANTED EFF	1-21-64 1-21-64 2-2-64
BR-3309 R & F	6-29-64 7-6-64	Renewal of License Robert F. Jones, Atty.	GRANTED	9-14-64
BR-3309 R & F	6-30-67 7-3-67	Renewal of license Atty- Robert F. Jones	GRANTED	9-8-67

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1370kc

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Name COMMUNITY BROADCASTERS, INC.
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP- 17,863 Rec'd Filed JAN 17 1968	8-11-67	CP to change hours of operation from Daytime to Unlimited, using power of 500w, install DA-N. <u>atty-Jones and Baker</u> <u>enr-E. Harold Munn, Jr., Coldwater, Mich.</u>	GRANTED	1-21-69
	8-16-67		FORFEITED	CP EXPIRED
	8-16-67		*tr.	5-20-70
AMENDMENT R & F AUG 8 1968	6-14-68	Amended to make changes in directional antenna-system (decrease height).		
	6-27-68			
AMENDMENT R & F	10-16-68	AMENDED Section III.		
BR-3309 R & F \$75 #613293 PN Recd. PRESS	6-24-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	9-30-70
	7-2-70	Lauren A. Colby, Atty.		
	"	AMENDED 7-21-70 re: programming		
9-28-70	Annual fee \$17.00 deducted from \$75.00 Renewal filing fee.			Credit \$58.00 to 1971.

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GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN

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Name COMMUNITY BROADCASTERS, INC.
Grand Haven, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BTC-6716 R & F FEE FD: \$250 #018019 CODE 053 (Form 316) ALSO SEE: FM	11-4-71 11-9-71	Voluntary acquisition of positive control of lic corp by Douglas J. Tjapkes thru purchase of stock (and retirement thereof) by the lic corp from George H. Kleis Atty - Fletcher, Heald, etc	GRANTED	11-30-71
BR-3309 R & F P.N. PRESS 2 AUG 73	6-26-73 7-3-73 7-3-73	Renewal of license Atty.: James P. Riley AMENDED 7-6-73 re: transmitter logs AMENDED 8-6-73 re: balance sheet AMENDED 8-24-73 re: engineering statement AMENDED 10-10-73 re: EEO	GRANTED	11-9-73
The Comm. by letter of 6-10-74 notified station of apparent liability for forfeiture of \$1000.				

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1370 kHz

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Grand Haven, Michigan

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BR-3309 R & F P.N. PRESS	5-17-76 5-28-76 5-28-76 AUG 2 1976	Renewal of License Atty.: James P. Riley AMENDED 9-13-76 re: engineering	GRANTED	9-15-76
BZ-9592 R & F DM PRESS	12-26-77 1-4-78 1-25-78 FEB 2 1978	Direct Measurement Atty: James P. Riley (Fletcher, Heald, etc.)	GRANTED	2-13-78
BR790601AV PRESS	AUG 2 1979	Renewal of License Atty.: James P. Riley	GRANTED	9-21-79

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.

