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Form BC 126
June 1954

#4831

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 11-30-70

Call letters WEAR

Station location Tappahannock, Va.

Name of licensee RAPPAHANNOCK BROADCASTING CORPORATION, INCORPORATED

Transmitter location S. of Rt. 360, 2.7 mi. NE of Tappahannock, Va. (BP 8-13-69)

156 Prince Street, Tappahannock, Virginia

XXXX Corner of Prince Street & Water Lane. (Let. 11-18-70)

22560 Main studio location x 318 Prince Street, Tappahannock, Virginia (BP 8-13-69)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BP-17234	8-13-69	1000kc	500w	Day	4-13-70
	CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1				
BP-17234(1)	1-8-70	Call letters assigned.			
BMP-12,936(2)	3-31-70	MP(BP-17,234)	ext. time.		10-1-70
BMP-13,083(3)	9-11-70	MP(BP-17,234)	ext. time		1-15-71
BP-17234(4)	9-29-70	MP(BP-17234)	correct condition.		
Let.	11-18-70	Studio & Remote Control; correct loc. Corner Prince Street & Water Lane			
BL-12,794(L)	11-30-70	Lic.(BP-17,234, as mod.) Stand. B/c Sta.		for new	10-1-72
EBSA	6-12-72				
BR-4831(S)	10-27-72	RENEWAL			10-1-75
BP-19,902	5-16-75	1000khz. 500w	Day	5-16-76	
	CP to inc. ant. height to accomodate FM ant.				
BMP-14,093 (1)	11-28-75	MP(BP-19,902) to chg. ant. syst. & redescribe SLoc.			
BR-4831(S)	1-12-76	RENEWAL			10-1-78
BL-14,079(L)	3-8-76	Lic. to cover BP-19,902 for changes			10-1-78
BL-14,079(L)	3-8-76	superseded to correct transmitter			10-1-78
BP-20,768(L)	5-6-77	CP to correct antenna system			5-6-78
BL-14,373(L)	11-7-77	Lic. to cover BP-20,768 for changes 1000khz, 500w Day			10-1-78
BR-4831 BZ-790326AL(L)	4-11-79	Renewal and Modification			10-1-81

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters W R A P

Name TAPPAHANNOCK BROADCASTING CORPORATION, INCORPORATED
Tappahannock, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-12,936 R & F \$30-584505	3-10-70 3-11-70 3-11-70	MP(BP-17,234) for extension of completion date to 10-10-70 (new) Atty: Cordon and Jacob	GRANTED to	3-31-70 10-1-70
BMP-13,083 R & F \$50-626826 AC-967	8-26-70 8-26-70 8-26-70 SEP 4 1970	MP(BP-17,234, as mod.) for extension of completion date to 3-1-71 (new) Atty: Bordon and Jacob	GRANTED to	9-11-70 1-15-71
BL-12,794 Rec'd #637600 \$50. AC-067 Amended & F PTA PRESS NOV 20 1970	10-14-70 10-14-70 10-14-70 10-15-70 10-23-70	Lic.(BP-17,234, as mod.) for new Standard Broadcast Station. AttY: <u>Cordon</u> and Jacob Sect. I date	GRANTED	11-30-70

FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters new W R A R

Name Rappahannock Broadcasting Corp., Incorporated
Tappahannock, Virginia (c/o George Clanton, 318 Prince St., Tappahannock, Va. 22560)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-17,234 Rec'd	4-13-66 4-13-66	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1000kc Power: 500w Hours of operation: Daytime Type transmitter: Gates BC-500G Trans. location: S of Rt 360, 2.7 mi. NE of Tappahannock, Virginia Studio location: 318 Prince Street, Tappahannock, Virginia Remote control point: Same as studio Atty: Dow, Lohnes and Albertson (Alfred C. Gordon, Jr.) Engr: George C. Davis	Returned Incomplete - Art. not file GRANTED	4-19-66 8-13-69
Resubmitted Filed	4-21-66 4-25-66		Cond'l re: Before prog. tests are authorized. Permittee shall accept any interf. that may result in the event of a grant of the application of Centreville B/Casting Co.	
AMENDMENT H&F	8-21-68	AMENDED Section IV-A.		

AMENDEDED 5-8-69 re field intensity measurements filed.

AMENDEDED 5-15-69 re Section III.

AMENDEDED 7-25-69 re Section IV-A.

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TAPPAHANNOCK, VIRGINIA 22560

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Name RAPPAHANNOCK BROADCASTING CORPORATION, INCORPORATED
Tappahannock, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4831 R & F P.N. PRESS JUL 18 1972	6-20-72 7-3-72 7-3-72	Renewal of License Atty: Alfred C. Cordon, Jr.	GRANTED	10-27-72
BP- 19,902 Rec'd Filed \$50-373207 AC-056	12-10-74 12-12-74 12-12-74	Construction permit to increase antenna height to accomodate FM antenna. Atty: Alfred C. Cordon, Jr.	GRANTED	5-16-75
Amended 1-23-75 re: Sec. V-A, Eng. statement Exh, E.				
BR-4831 R & F PN Recd. PRESS MAY 29 1975	5-19-75 5-22-75 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 9-9-75 re: programming	GRANTED	1-12-76

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-14,093 Rec'd Filed \$100-492839 AC: 001 Press:	10-23-75 10-30-75 10-30-75 10-30-75	Mod. of CP (BP-19,902) to chg. ant. system (increase height) redescribed SL loc. as 156 Prince Street, Tappahannock, Virginia	GRANTED	11-28-75
BL-14,079 R & F \$100#507542 PTA PRESS JAN 9 1976	12-3-75 12-9-75 12-12-75 12-18-75	Lic. to cover BP-19,902 for changes	GRANTED	3-8-76
BP-20,768 Rec'd Filed \$100-552647 AC: 001 PRESS:	4-5-76 4-6-76 4-6-76 APR 28 1977	Construction permit to increase the non-directional inverse field from 124mV/m/ to 135mV/m.	GRANTED	5-6-77

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1000khz

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Tappahannock, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-14,373 R & F PTA PRESS SEP 26 1977	8-4-77 8-5-77 9-9-77	Lic. to cover BP-20,768 for changes	GRANTED	11-7-77
BR-4831 R & F PRESS JUN 2 1978	5-19-78 5-22-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED issued with BZ-790326A	2-26-79
BZ-790326AL R & F IM PRESS APR 17 1979	3-26-79 4-5-79	Direct Measurement	GRANTED issued with BR-4831	4-11-79
BR-810528VI Press. AUG 5 1981		Renewal of License Atty: Danny C. Wadsworth	GRANTED	10-22-81

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.

