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CITY OF LOCKPORT: Arena special permit approved

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— The Common Council on Wednesday approved issue of a special permit to Lockport Ice Arena & Sports Complex authorizing it to operate at 34 Chestnut St.

The permit was required because the existing zoning on the old Jubilee building doesn't allow for its use as an arena/recreation center.

LIASC will be the permit holder, according to Mayor Michael Tucker. If the non-profit group's plans fell through, authority to operate an arena would not be transferred to building owner Benderson Development. The special use permit was the last document that LIASC needed to include in a revised application to the state Dormitory Authority seeking a \$450,000 grant. The money is needed to purchase the building.

In other business Wednesday, Fourth Ward Alderman Pat Schrader, a fire board commissioner, declined to put up a resolution authorizing Fire Chief Tom Passuite to commission a new pumper truck.

The truck that the department wants, with custom features including a wheel base that lets the truck better handle turns on narrow streets, would cost an estimated \$600,000. Only one bid was received, by the manufacturer that offers the special wheel base, so aldermen want to quiz Passuite again about necessary-versus-nice features of a truck.

Also, Alderman-at-large Joe Kibler suggested, other local city fire departments should be surveyed about the types of trucks they're using.

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