

**Agenda for the Board of Lowell Light & Power
Special Called Board Meeting on
June 17, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m. at the LL&P Energy Center (625 Chatham St.)**

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- III. SAFETY MOMENT**
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (for items not on the agenda)**
- V. ACTION ITEM(S)**
 - a. General Manager Review
 - i. Closed Session – MCL 15.268(a)
 - b. IBEW 876 Collective Bargaining Agreement
 - i. Closed Session – MCL 15.268(c)
 - c. Low Income Assistance Program Charge Update – Lowell Energy Outreach
- VI. NEXT REGULAR LL&P BOARD MEETING: July 14, 2026**
- VII. BOARD COMMENT**
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

NOTE: Any person who wishes to speak on an item included on the printed meeting agenda may do so. Speakers will be recognized by the Chair, at which time they will be required to state their name and will be allowed five (5) minutes maximum to address the Board.



Memorandum

To: Lowell Light & Power Board
From: Charlie West
Date: June 15, 2026
Re: LEO Fund Charge Review

Consideration/ Background:

During the March 2025 Board Meeting, the board approved opting out of the state-mandated Low Income Energy Assistance Fund (LIEAF) in favor of creating a local assistance program per state guidelines in partnership with Flat River Outreach Ministries (FROM).

During the July 2025 Board Meeting, the board approved setting the monthly charge at \$0.95 per customer per the state guidelines. This has been the charge since the program started in October 2025.

After going through the heating season, LL&P has determined that a review of the monthly charge should occur.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation to adopt a monthly LEO charge of \$0.10 per customer per the state's guidelines.

Additional Information

- This recommended amount will help to balance the LEO fund
- This charge would be in effect for 15 months, from July 2026 to the end of the program year in September 2027

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Rate Schedules

Policy 4-3

Subject: Low Income Assistance Program Charges

Applicability

Low Income Assistance Program Charges shall apply to all billing meters subject to the Low-Income Energy Assistance Fund charge as defined in Section 9t of Public Act 95 of 2013, MCL 460.9t as amended. For a residential customer, the charge will only apply to one meter per residential site.

Low Income Assistance Charge Requirement

Under Public Act 95, as amended, municipal electric utilities may elect to opt-out of the Low Income Energy Assistance Fund charge (LIEAF). A municipally owned electric utility that opts out of the LIEAF charge under subsection 9 of Public Act 95, as amended, must establish and fund an energy assistance program for its residential customers that provides assistance to its residential customers for both their electric and home heating needs.

Low Income Energy Assistance Fund Determination

The decision of whether or not to participate in the LIEAF Charge or an alternative program for the program year shall be made by the Board in accordance with Public Act 95 of 2013, as amended.

Low Income Assistance Program Rates

State of Michigan Low Income Energy Assistance Fund (LIEAF) Charge:

All Residential/Commercial/Industrial Rates (121,130, 221-224) - \$0.00 per Month

Lowell Energy Outreach Charge (LEO) - Local Alternative Option:

All Residential/Commercial/Industrial Rates (121,130, 221-224) - \$0.95 per Month

Adopted July 2025, effective October 2025