

**CHAPTER 7.20
LEVEL B SYSTEM ROADS**

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7.20.010 **PURPOSE:** The purpose of this Chapter is to classify certain roads on the Area Service System in Pottawattamie County, Iowa, to provide a reduced level of maintenance. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

7.20.020 **DEFINITIONS:** For the purpose of this Chapter, the following terms and words are defined: (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.01 **AREA SERVICE SYSTEM:** Those public roads outside of municipalities not otherwise classified. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

A. Area Service Level A System roads shall be maintained in conformance with applicable State Statutes. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

B. Area Service Level B System roads shall not require standards of maintenance equal to Trunk, Trunk Collector, or Area Service Level A System Roads. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

Area Service Level B System roads shall not mean what is construed in the normal sense as a driveway or a private lane to a farm building or dwelling. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.02 **BOARD:** The Board of Supervisors of Pottawattamie County, Iowa. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.03 **ENGINEER:** The County Engineer of Pottawattamie County, Iowa. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

7.20.030 **POWERS OF THE BOARD:** All jurisdiction and control over Area Service Level B System roads, as provided by this Chapter, shall rest with the Board. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

7.20.040 **AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH:** The Board is empowered under authority of Chapter 309.57, Code of Iowa, 1989, to classify secondary roads on the Area Service Level B System to provide for a reduced level of maintenance on roads so designated. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

7.20.050 **AREA SERVICE LEVEL B SYSTEM DESIGNATION:** The Board, after consultation with the Engineer, shall, by Resolution, establish the location of the roads classified as Area Service Level B System roads. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

7.20.060 **MAINTENANCE POLICY:** Only minimal effort, expense and attention will be provided to Area Service Level B System roads. Bridges on Area Service Level B System roads may not be maintained to carry level loads but will be posted as appropriate to advise of any land limitation. For the various maintenance activities, the level of maintenance on Area Service Level B System roads will be as follows: (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.01 **ROAD SURFACING:** There will be no surfacing materials applied to Area Service Level B . (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.02 **BLADING:** Blading or dragging will be performed on an irregular basis after gravel surface roads have been

bladed satisfactorily. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.03 **SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL:** Limited snow and ice removal will be performed only in emergency situations. Such removal may include only that portion of the road needed for emergency access in one direction. Sanding and salting will not be performed. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.04 **SIGNING:** All Area Service Level B roads shall be identified with signs at all points of public access to warn the public of the lower level of maintenance. Except for load limit posting for bridges and existing stop signs, signing shall not be continued or provided. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.05 **WEED, BRUSH AND TREES:** Mowing or spraying weeds, cutting brush, and tree removal will be performed on a limited basis. Sight distance and clear view of signs may not be maintained. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.06 **STRUCTURE:** Bridges and culverts may not be maintained to carry legal loads. Upon failure or loss, said structure may be replaced at the discretion of the Board. Replacement structures may meet applicable design standards. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.07 **SHOULDERS AND DITCHES:** Shoulders and ditches may not be minimally maintained during blading operations. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.08 **CROWN:** An irregular or minimal crown will be developed during blading operations. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.09 **UNIFORM WIDTH:** The width of the traveled portion of the road may vary. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.10 **INSPECTIONS:** Inspections will be conducted irregularly. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

.11 **REPAIRS:** There will be no road repairs made on a regular basis or schedule. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

7.20.070 **EXEMPTION FROM LIABILITY:** As provided in Chapter 309.57 of the 1989 Code of Iowa, the County and officers, agents and employees of the County are not liable for injury to any person or for damage to any vehicle or equipment, which occurs as a result of the maintenance of a road which is classified as Area Service Level B, if the road has been maintained to the level required for roads classified as Area Service Level B. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)

7.20.080 **ADMINISTRAION:** The Engineer shall maintain an accurate record of all segments of roads classified by the Board as Area Service Level B and shall cause the necessary signs to be erected at every public road access on those roads so classified. (Ordinance #90-7/April 27, 1990)