**LUPON**

Lupon derived its name from the Kalagan native word “*naluponan*”. This means a body of land accumulated at the mouth of a river resulting from years of continued accretion. The settlers were said to be responsible in abbreviating the word “*naluponan*” to what is now known as “Lupon”.

Through the successive wave of migration of Muslims and Christians, Lupon first became a regular barrio of Pantukan in 1919. After two years, by virtue of Executive Order No. 8, series of 1921, issued by Governor General Francis Burton Harrison, it became a Municipal District with eight (8) barrios under its jurisdiction, including the barrio of Banaybanay. Datu Commara Manuel served the Presidential Chair for nine (9) years. About the same time, Lupon was made a Muslim sultanate with Datu Commara Manuel crowned as Sultan. On August 8, 1948, Lupon was finally elevated into a regular municipality based on an executive order issued by then President Elpidio Quirino who appointed Teodoro Panuncialman as its first Municipal Mayor.