



J. B. HILL, JR.
COUNTY CLERK
UPSHUR COUNTY COURTHOUSE
GILMER, TEXAS 75644

PHONE 843-3118

April 12, 1976

Commissioners Court met in regular session with the following members present: J. W. Meadows, Charles Still, Floyd Drennan, and Everett Dean.

Tony Williams, Gladewater City Manager, ask the court for an increase in funds for fire protection for Upshur County citizens. Mr. Williams stated the present fire protection for persons outside the city would be discontinued in 60 days unless the court provided an increase in funds. No action was taken. (Gladewater Fire Department Annual Report attached)

The Upshur Fireman Association made a report to the court on their newly organized association to provide better communication and education to the Upshur County fire departments (Bettie, Big Sandy, Diana, East Mountain, Gilmer, Gladewater, Ore City and Pritchett). The Association ask to be considered for funds in the next county budget and requested a written answer from the court. (Report attached)

Minutes of the previous meeting of April 5, 1976 were read by Judge Dean. A motion was made by Charles Still and seconded by Floyd Drennan to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Kenneth Warren ask the court to dispense with the bounty paid on wolves and contribute this money to the Upshur County Fire Departments. No action was taken.

Pritchett Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. presented the court with Articles of Incorporation for their fire department. Motion was made by Charles Still and seconded by Floyd Drennan to pay the Pritchett Fire Department \$50.00 a month as of April 1. Motion carried. (Copy attached)

Mr. Morris of Camp Joy ask the court to widen the Camp Joy Road. No action was taken. Mr. Morris made statement to Commissioners Court, that he will not be present with this court after this date. Motion was made by Charles Still and seconded by Floyd Drennan to pay the county bills. Motion carried.

The court considered the returns of the County School Trustees election held on April 3, 1976. Motion was made by J. W. Meadows and seconded by Floyd Drennan to approve the election returns. Motion carried. (Copy attached)

Motion was made by J. W. Meadows and seconded by Floyd Drennan to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Ernest Davis

J W Meadows

Chas L Still

Floyd Drennan

GLADEWATER FIRE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT

JAN. 1, 1975 to DEC. 31, 1975

Total Calls Responded to.....	<u>294</u>
Total Expenditure.....	<u>\$99,854.00</u>
Total Elapsed Time of Operation.....	<u>186 hours</u>
Average Cost per Working Hour.....	<u>\$536.85</u>
Average Time on Each Call.....	<u>38 min.</u>
Average Cost per Call.....	<u>\$339.64</u>
Total Calls Responded To Outside City Limits.....	<u>79</u>
Total Elapsed Time of Operation Outside City Limits.....	<u>72hrs. 13 min.</u>

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DEPT.	NO. CALL O/S CITY	TOTAL COST	COST PER FIRE	% O/S CITY
BETTIE	67	\$6,000.00	89.55	100
BIG SANDY	56	5,351.36	95.56	70
³ franklin DIANA	61	6,642.27	99.41	100
EAST MOUNTAIN	54	5,123.00	94.87	100
GILMER	224	26,411.84	117.91	72
GLADEWATER	<u>35</u>	11,887.10	339.64	12
ORE CITY	52	7,280.52	140000	72
PRITCHETT	<u>30</u>	<u>995.71</u>	<u>33.19</u>	<u>100</u>
TOTALS	579	69,691.80	120.36	81.5

THERE WERE 711 CALLS MADE IN UPSHUR COUNTY BY THESE 8 DEPTS. IN 1975.
81.5% WERE OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS.
WE AVERAGED 48 CALLS PER MONTH OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS.

THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 534 SQ. MILES IN UPSHUR COUNTY AND WITH THE
NUMBER OF DEPTS. THAT WE HAVE, WE EACH HAVE ROUGHLY 65 SQ. MILES TO
COVER.

THESE 8 DEPTS. HAD A TOTAL BUDGET OF \$161,696.00 FOR 1975. THESE DEPTS
SPENT 10.5% OVER THIS BUDGET.

AS YOU KNOW, THESE FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE MOSTLY VOLUNTEER, AND WITH THE
WAY WE RECEIVE OUR INCOME WE SPEND AS MUCH OR MORE TIME RAISING MONEY
AS WE DO FIGHTING FIRES, SAVE AND EXCEPT THE CITY DEPTS.

OFFICERS OF THE UPSHUR FIREMANS ASSN. ARE BOBBY BARTON, ORE CITY, PRESIDENT;
KENNETH E. WINN, DIANA, VICE PRESIDENT; SKIPPY MC WILLIAMS, BIG SANDY, SEC.;
JAY HUGGINS, UNION RIDGE, REPORTER.

WE HOPE THROUGH THIS ORGANIZATION THAT WE MAY BETTER SERVE THE COUNTY
BY BEING BETTER PREPARED AND BETTER EQUIPPED BY WORKING TOGETHER.

THE COUNTY DID PAY A TOTAL OF \$3,000.00 IN 1975. THIS MONEY WENT TO
GILMER, BIG SANDY AND ORE CITY.

KENNETH E WINN
VICE-PRESIDENT
UPSHUR FIREMAN ASSN.



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STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78711

MARK WHITE
SECRETARY OF STATE

MAR. 9, 1976

K. D. DAVIS
P.O. BOX 552
GILMER, TEXAS 75644

RE: PRITCHETT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
CHARTER NUMBER 376580-1

DEAR SIR:

IT HAS BEEN OUR PLEASURE TO APPROVE AND PLACE ON RECORD THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION THAT CREATED YOUR CORPORATION. WE EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS IN YOUR NEW VENTURE.

AS A CORPORATION, YOU ARE SUBJECT TO THE FRANCHISE TAX LAWS. WE ARE INFORMED BY THE OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS THAT YOU WILL SOON BE CONTACTED BY THAT OFFICE CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF AN INITIAL MINIMUM FRANCHISE TAX PAYMENT TO BE PAID WITHIN 45 TO 75 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF YOUR CHARTER OR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY.

UNDER THE FRANCHISE TAX LAWS, SOME NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF FRANCHISE TAXES. IF YOU FEEL THAT UNDER THE LAW YOUR CORPORATION IS ENTITLED TO BE EXEMPT FROM PAYMENT OF FRANCHISE TAX YOU MUST APPLY TO THE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR SUCH EXEMPTION. THE SECRETARY OF STATE CANNOT MAKE SUCH DETERMINATION FOR YOUR CORPORATION.

IF WE CAN BE OF FURTHER SERVICE AT ANY TIME, PLEASE LET US KNOW.

VERY TRULY YOURS,
MARK WHITE
SECRETARY OF STATE

BY: BILL KIMBROUGH
DIRECTOR, CORPORATION DIVISION

TELEX: 77-6494

*Karen Glynn Treasurer
Pt 2, Big Sandy Inc.*



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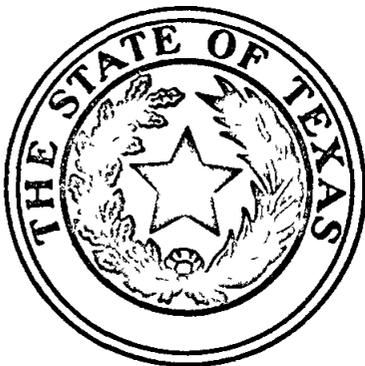
The State of Texas
Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF
PRITCHETT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.
CHARTER NUMBER 376580

THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS,
HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT DUPLICATE ORIGINALS OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
FOR THE ABOVE CORPORATION, DULY SIGNED AND VERIFIED, HAVE BEEN RECEIVED
IN THIS OFFICE AND ARE FOUND TO CONFORM TO LAW.

ACCORDINGLY THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SUCH SECRETARY OF STATE, AND BY
VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN HIM BY LAW, HEREBY ISSUES THIS
CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION AND ATTACHES HERETO A DUPLICATE ORIGINAL
OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

DATED MAR. 3, 1976



Mark W. White
Secretary of State

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

MAR 03 1976

PRITCHETT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC. Loma Salgran

Deputy Director, Corporation Division

We, the undersigned natural persons of the age of eighteen (18) years or more, at least two of whom are citizens of the State of Texas, acting as incorporators of a corporation under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

ARTICLE ONE

The name of the corporation is PRITCHETT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.

ARTICLE TWO

The corporation is a non-profit corporation.

YES

ARTICLE THREE

The period of its duration is perpetual.

ARTICLE FOUR

The purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

1. To acquire, operate and maintain fire fighting, rescue and other emergency equipment necessary for the preservation of life and the protection of property from and during fire or other emergencies within the area of its operation in UPSOUR County, Texas.
2. To teach, educate and train citizens of said area in the art of the prevention and fighting of fires.
3. To provide rescue and various other emergency services in the event of catastrophe, illness and accident.
4. To raise the funds essential to the successful operation thereof.

ARTICLE FIVE

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is

RT. 3 Box 175 GILMER (PRITCHETT) Texas, and the name of its initial registered agent at such address is T. P. COWLEY

ARTICLE SIX

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of the corporation is three, and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
K. D. DAVIS	P.O. Box 552 ⁷⁵⁶⁴⁴ GILMER, TEXAS
J. M. Phillips	Rt. 3 - Box 251 Gilmer, Tex.
J. P. Cowan	R. 3 Box 175 Gilmer, Texas 75644

ARTICLE SEVEN

The name and street address of each incorporator is:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
734-4363 K. D. DAVIS	P.O. Box 552 GILMER, TEXAS
J. M. Phillips	Rt. 3 - Box 251 Gilmer, Tex 75644
J. P. Cowan	R. 3 Box 175 Gilmer, Tex 75644

ARTICLE EIGHT

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the board of directors shall, after paying or making provision for payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the stated purposes of the corporation that will insure continued fire protection and prevention in the area of this organization.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands, this 4 day of February, 1976.

734-4363

K. D. Davis

J. M. Phillips

J. P. Cowan

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STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Upshur

I, Mary Nash, a Notary Public, do hereby certify that on this 4 day of February, 1976, personally appeared before me, K. D. Davis, J. N. Phillips and J. P. Cowan, who each being by me first duly sworn, severally declared that they are the persons who signed the foregoing document as incorporators, and that the statements therein contained are true.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand seal the day and year above written.

Mary Nash
Notary Public in and for
Upshur County, Texas

My commission expires: June, 1977

1976 COUNTY TRUSTEE ELECTION RESULTS:

Commissioner's Precinct #1---Chester L. Martin-

Union Grove School ----- 98
 Gilmer School-----211
 New Diana School-----271
580

Commissioner's Precinct #3---W. E. Vaughan, Jr.-

Big Sandy School-----205
 Harmony School ----- 4
 Union Grove School----- 60
 Gilmer School-----108
377

Commissioner's Precinct #4---W. F. (Bill) Patterson-

Harmony School ----- 29
 Union Hill School----- 174
 Gilmer School----- 597
800

ABOVE INFORMATION WAS DELIVERED TO THE COUNTY CLERK'S
 OFFICE WITH 2 forms, "Order Declaring Results of County
 School Trustee Election", April 7, 1976

BREAK DOWN OF GILMER I.S.D.:

	Gilmer	East Mt.	Glenwood	Sand Hill	Total
Precinct #1-Chester L. Martin----	96	33	37	45	211
Precinct #3-W.E. Vaughan, Jr.----	103	5	0	0	108
Precinct #4-W.F. (Bill) Patterson	578	19	0	0	597

Big Sandy ISD:

Billy Poor ----- 171
James Henry-----161
C. C. Bennett----111
Joy Welk----- 95
Don Lasher----- 57

County Board Precinct #3:

W. E. Vaughan, Jr. 205
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Ore City ISD:

Steve Hathaway---152
Maynard Emerson--119
John W. Markham,
III---109

Jim Stroehmer-----85
Pearlie Mary
Montgomery--79
John T. Hays-----49

Harmony ISD:

Harold Spencer----43
Joe Jack Lyle ----41
Joe Max Johnson---42

County Board:

Precinct #3-
W. E. Vaughan, Jr. 4

Precinct #4-
W. F. (Bill) Patterson--29
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Union Grove ISD:

Mason Phillips---128
Milburn Shelton--124
John A. Tuttle---123
J. Henry Pepper---82
Gerald Grunden---82
Charles E. Glenn--77
Allen Jackson-----50

Precinct #1--Co. Board-
Chester Martin--98

Precinct #3--
W. E. Vaughan, Jr.--60

New Diana ISD:

Chester Martin, Jr.-----184
Henry B. Winn -----132
Kenneth Powell-----105
R. V. Trull -----100
L. C. Brannon ----- 90
Donald L. Sims ----- 30
William E. (Bill)
Henderson----- 30
Johnny W. Letney -----22
Richard L. Phillips-----21

County Board:

Precinct #1, Chester Martin-271
* * *

Union Hill ISD:

Pat Parish -----128
Kenneth Downs ----- 91
Dan Atchley ----- 87
Jerry R. Tucker ----- 86
Frank Warren ----- 26

County Board:

Precinct #4--W. F. (Bill) Patterson-174
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Gilmer ISD:

Don Dickson-----1195
Dr. Bob Glaze -----998
John Melvin Dodd -----500
Luther Brooks -----289

County Board:

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ORDER DECLARING RESULTS OF COUNTY SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION

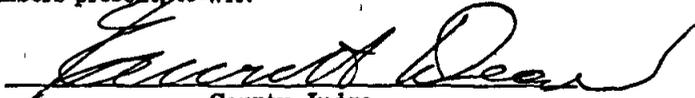
THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Upshur

On this the 12 day of April, 1976, the Commissioner's Court of Upshur County, State of Texas, convened in regular

session open to the public at its regular meeting place in the County Courthouse, Gilmer

Texas, with the following members present, to-wit:


County Judge

Commissioner Precinct No. 1

Commissioner Precinct No. 2





Commissioner Precinct No. 3



constituting a quorum, and among other proceedings had by said Commissioner's Court were the following:

There came on to be considered the returns of the County School Trustee election held on the 3 day of April, 1976, and it appearing and is so found that said election was duly called, that notice of said election was given in conformity with the laws of the State of Texas, and that said election was in all respects legally held and that said returns were duly and legally made and that each of the candidates in said election received the following votes, to-wit:

FOR MEMBER FROM ~~COUNTY AT LARGE~~ # 1 Chester L. Martin

<u>Union Grove School</u>	<u>98</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
<u>Gilmer School</u>	<u>211</u>	
<u>New Diana School</u>	<u>271</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
	<u>580</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

FOR MEMBER FROM COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 3: W. E. Vaughan, Jr.

<u>Big Sandy School</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
<u>Harmony School</u>	<u>4</u>	
<u>Union Grove School</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
<u>Gilmer School</u>	<u>108</u>	<u>377 TOTAL</u>

FOR MEMBER FROM COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 4: W. F. (Bill) Patterson

<u>Harmony School</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
<u>Union Hill School</u>	<u>174</u>	
<u>Gilmer School</u>	<u>597</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
	<u>800</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>

IT IS, THEREFORE, FOUND, DECLARED AND SO ORDERED, by the Commissioner's Court of Upshur County, Texas, that at said election the following

- candidates were duly elected to the County Board of School Trustees of said County, subject to their taking their oaths, to-wit: Commissioners Precinct # 1--Chester L. Martin
- Commissioners Precinct # 3--W. E. Vaughan, Jr.
- Commissioners Precinct # 4--W. F. (Bill) Patterson

It is further found and determined that written notice of the date, place and subject of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board located at a place convenient to the public in the county courthouse of this county and that said notice as posted complied with all of the requirements of Article 6252-17.

The above order being read, it was moved and seconded that same do pass. Thereupon, the question being called for, the following members of the Court voted AYE: J. W. Meadows, Charles Still, Floyd Drennan, Everett Dean;

and the following voted NO: _____

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED, this the 12 day of April, 1976.

Everett Dean
County Judge

<u>Commissioner Precinct No. 1</u>	<u>Commissioner Precinct No. 2</u>
<i>J. W. Meadows</i>	<i>Floyd Drennan</i>
<u>Commissioner Precinct No. 3</u>	<u>Commissioner Precinct No. 4</u>
<i>Charles L. Still</i>	

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF Dalmer INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT OF Upshur COUNTY, TEXAS:

I, the undersigned, the presiding judge for an election held on the 3 day of April, 1976, at Last Mountain in Dalmer Independent School District, Upshur County, Texas, for the purpose of electing 3 members to the Board of Trustees of said School District, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct return for said election, and that each of the candidates in said election received the number of votes set opposite their respective names, to-wit:

TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST: _____

NAME OF CANDIDATE	TOTAL VOTES RECEIVED	POSITION No.*
<u>Chester L. Martin</u>	<u>33</u>	
<u>W. E. Vaughan, Jr.</u>	<u>5</u>	
<u>W. J. (Bill) Patterson</u>	<u>19</u>	
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

DATED this the 3 day of April, 1976.

W. C. Mathis
Presiding Judge

* (Note: If candidates do not run by position number, leave this column blank.)

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF Lilmer INDEPENDENT
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF Yupoh COUNTY, TEXAS:

I, the undersigned, the presiding judge for an election held on the 3 day of April,
1976, at Sand Hill in Lilmer Independent
School District, Yupoh County, Texas, for the purpose of electing 1 members
to the Board of Trustees of said School District, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct
return for said election, and that each of the candidates in said election received the number of votes set
opposite their respective names, to-wit:

TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST: _____

NAME OF CANDIDATE	TOTAL VOTES RECEIVED	POSITION No.*
<u>Chester L. Martin</u>	<u>45</u>	
<u>W. E. Vaughan Jr.</u>	<u>45</u>	
<u>W. F. Bill Patterson</u>	<u>45</u>	

DATED this the 13 day of April, 1976

E. L. Shaw
Presiding Judge

*(Note: If candidates do not run by position number, leave this column blank.)

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF Gibner INDEPENDENT
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF Upshur COUNTY, TEXAS:

I, the undersigned, the presiding judge for an election held on the 3rd day of April
1976, at Glennwood in Gibner Independent
School District, Upshur County, Texas, for the purpose of electing 2 members
to the Board of Trustees of said School District, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct
return for said election, and that each of the candidates in said election received the number of votes set
opposite their respective names, to-wit:

TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST: 51

NAME OF CANDIDATE	TOTAL VOTES RECEIVED	POSITION NO.*
<u>Dr. Bob D. Glaze</u>	<u>27</u>	
<u>John Melvin Wood</u>	<u>11</u>	
<u>Luther Brooks</u>	<u>20</u>	
<u>Don Dickson</u>	<u>37</u>	
<u>Chester L. Martin</u>	<u>37</u>	

DATED this the 3rd day of April, 1976

Yvonne Cavitt
Presiding Judge

*(Note: If candidates do not run by position number, leave this column blank.)

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF Gilmer INDEPENDENT
 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF Zippah COUNTY, TEXAS:

I, the undersigned, the presiding judge for an election held on the 3 day of April,
 1976, at Gilmer Hi-School in Gilmer Independent
 School District, Zippah County, Texas, for the purpose of electing 3 members
 to the Board of Trustees of said School District, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct
 return for said election, and that each of the candidates in said election received the number of votes set
 opposite their respective names, to-wit:

TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST: _____

NAME OF CANDIDATE	TOTAL VOTES RECEIVED	POSITION No.*
<u>Chester Martin</u>	<u>96</u>	
<u>W. E. Vaughan</u>	<u>103</u>	
<u>W. E. "Bill" Patterson</u>	<u>578</u>	
<u>Q. B. Hill Jr.</u>	<u>1</u>	
<u>Joe Poole</u>	<u>1</u>	
<u>Bob Hester</u>	<u>1/2</u>	
<u>H. M. Dadd</u>		

DATED this the 3rd day of April, 1976

Bruce [Signature]
 Presiding Judge

* (Note: If candidates do not run by position number, leave this column blank.)