

Mayor Jill Dabbs invites the citizens of Bryant to join her, the Bryant Fire Department and all City Staff in welcoming John "JP" Jordan to the Bryant Fire Chief position. Throughout the next few months there will be numerous opportunities for the citizens of Bryant to meet Chief Jordan, he will start August 20, 2012.

Mayor Dabbs stated "Chief Jordan is a wonderful fit for the Bryant Fire Department and the Citizens of Bryant because he is a resourceful visionary leader with a strong background in training and a passion for serving others as well as the fire service."

Prior to his appointment as the Fire Chief in Bryant, Jordan served nine years as Fire Chief in Stuttgart, Arkansas. He has been involved with the management and development of the fire service at the state level, being appointed by Governor Mike Beebe to serve as the Chairman of the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. Fire Chief Jordan also has involvement with several other professional organizations on the state and national levels.

Jordan holds multiple national certifications to include the completion of the National Fire Academy's Chief Officer Course. Chief Jordan has also earned multiple degrees during his career in the Fire Service. This list of educational achievements includes a Bachelor's Degree in Fire Administration from the University of Memphis, and Chief Jordan is currently working toward completion of a Master's Degree in the area of Emergency Services Management.

"I am extremely proud to have been chosen for the position. The fire department is poised to grow and accomplish even more great things in the future and I look forward to being part of that team and want to thank Mayor Dabbs for placing her confidence in me to lead the department. Bryant is such a great place because of its tremendous growth and emphasis on family living and having such big city amenities yet still has a small town feel. My family and I are really looking forward to moving here and becoming part of the community and living here. It's just a wonderful place to be" said Jordan.

Jordan takes over for Chief Randy Cox who retired in May of this year.