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September 01, 2015

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 26, 2015

ISABELLA BANK CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MICHIGAN

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-18415 38-2830092 (Commission (IRS Employer File Number) Identification No.)

401 North Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan 48858-1649 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (989) 772-9471

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address if changed since last report)

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Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On August 26, 2015, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Isabella Bank Corporation (the "Corporation") increased the number of directors on the Board from eleven to twelve and appointed Gregory V. Varner (age 61) to the Board, effective August 26, 2015. Mr. Varner will serve a term as a director until the Corporation's Annual Meeting of Shareholders in 2016. In addition, the Board appointed Mr. Varner to its Compensation Committee and the Isabella Bank Board of Directors, effective August 26, 2015. The Board has determined that Mr. Varner is an "independent director" within the meaning of applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Mr. Varner is the Research Director for the Michigan Bean Commission and currently serves as the Chair for the Breckenridge Division Board of Isabella Bank. He received a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Education and a Master of Science in Crop Science from Michigan State University. Mr. Varner brings regional representation and a strong agricultural component to the Board, evidenced by his involvement in various community organizations and over 40 years of experience in the agriculture industry.

SIGNATURES

Dated: September 1, 2015

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ISABELLA BANK CORPORATION

By: /s/ Dennis P. Angner

Dennis P. Angner, President & CFO