SPARTAN STORES INC Form 8-K May 19, 2011

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): May 17, 2011

SPARTAN STORES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan (State or other jurisdiction

000-31127 (Commission 38-0593940 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification no.)

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850 76th Street, S.W.

P.O. Box 8700

Grand Rapids, Michigan
(Address of principal executive offices)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (616) 878-2000

49518-8700

(Zip Code)

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

James F. Wright, who has served as a member of the Board of Directors of Spartan Stores, Inc. (the Company) since 2002, advised the Board of Directors on May 17, 2011 that he will conclude his service as a director at the end of his current term, which expires at the Company s annual meeting of shareholders to be held on August 10, 2011. Mr. Wright is concluding his service to the Company in order to devote more time to his other business and personal commitments.

Mr. Wright s conclusion of service is not due to any disagreement with the Company or any executive officer or associate of the Company on any matter relating to the Company s operations, policies or practices.

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SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 19, 2011 SPARTAN STORES, INC.

By /s/ David M. Staples David M. Staples

Chief Financial Officer

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