

Whitestone REIT  
Form 8-K  
May 20, 2008

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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 16, 2008

Whitestone REIT  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Hartman Commercial Properties REIT  
(Former Name of Registrant)

Maryland  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or  
organization)

000-50256  
(Commission File  
Number)

76-0594970  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

2600 South Gessner, Suite 500  
Houston, Texas 77063  
(Address of principal executive offices)  
(Zip Code)

(713) 827-9595  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

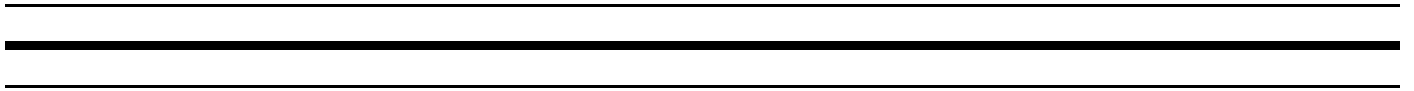
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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“ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 16, 2008 Whitestone REIT issued a press release announcing that its Board of Trustees had approved a dividend of \$0.15 per common share for the second quarter of 2008.

The dividend is payable in three monthly payments of \$.05 per share. Dividend payments will be made on or about the first day of July, August and September, 2008.

The Company also announced that it intends to hold its annual meeting of shareholders on July 29th because a verdict from the court concerning the litigation between the Company and its former management company should be known before that date, and the proxy statement will be mailed to shareholders on June 29th.

A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated May 16, 2008

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Whitestone REIT

Dated: May  
20, 2008

By: /s/ David K. Holeman

Name: David K.  
Holeman  
Title: Chief Financial  
Officer