CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC. Form 8-K January 06, 2012

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) December 31, 2011

Carrols Restaurant Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-33174 (Commission File Number) 16-1287774 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

968 James Street, Syracuse, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

13203 (Zip Code)

Registrant $\,$ s telephone number, including area code (315) 424-0513

N/A

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

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ITEM 5.03. AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS; CHANGE IN FISCAL YEAR.

Effective January 1, 2012, Carrols Restaurant Group, Inc. (<u>Carrols Restaurant Group</u>) amended its Amended and Restated Bylaws to provide that the Chairman of the Board of Directors shall be a non-executive officer position unless the Board of Directors of Carrols Restaurant Group designates the Chairman of the Board of Directors as an officer of Carrols Restaurant Group at time of election. Prior to January 1, 2012, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Carrols Restaurant Group was an executive officer of Carrols Restaurant Group.

The amendment to the Carrols Restaurant Group Amended and Restated Bylaws also provides for certain technical modifications to the advance notice provisions.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (d) Exhibits
 - 3.1 Amendment to Carrols Restaurant Group, Inc. Amended and Restated Bylaws

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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.

CARROLS RESTAURANT GROUP, INC.

Date: January 6, 2012

By: /s/ Joseph A. Zirkman Name: Joseph A. Zirkman

Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary