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May 13, 2015

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 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 13, 2015 (May 11, 2015)

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

Maryland	001-34855	76-0594970
(State or Other Jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2600 South Gessner, Suite 500 Houston, TX	77063
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)

(713) 827-9595

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

Whitestone REIT (the “Company”) held its annual meeting of shareholders (the “Annual Meeting”) on May 11, 2015. At the Annual Meeting, the Company’s shareholders voted on each of the proposals presented, which are described in more detail in the Company’s Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 30, 2015. Holders of 19,836,067 of the Company’s common shares were present in person or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting.

The following are the voting results on each proposal presented to the Company's shareholders at the Annual Meeting:

Proposal 1: Election of Trustees

The following individuals were elected as trustees to serve until the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The following votes were taken in connection with this proposal:

Trustee	Votes For	Votes Withheld	Broker Non-Votes
James C. Mastandrea	11,474,755	2,351,478	6,009,834
Jack L. Mahaffey	13,414,249	411,984	6,009,834

Paul T. Lambert will continue to hold office until the 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Daryl J. Carter and Donald F. Keating will continue to hold office until the 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Proposal 2: Ratification of the Selection of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The proposal to ratify the selection of Pannell Kerr Forster of Texas, P.C. as the Company’s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2015 was approved. The following votes were taken in connection with this proposal:

Votes For	Votes Against	Abstentions	Broker Non-Votes
19,568,020	209,293	58,754	—

Proposal 3: Shareholder Proposal

The shareholder proposal relating to a recommendation to change the voting standard for trustee elections was not approved. The following votes were taken in connection with this proposal:

Votes For	Votes Against	Abstentions	Broker Non-Votes
4,540,501	9,042,608	243,117	6,009,841

SIGNATURE

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.

Date: May 13, 2015

Whitestone REIT
By: /s/ David K. Holeman
David K. Holeman
Chief Financial Officer