UNITY BANCORP INC /NJ/ Form 8-K February 23, 2017

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

February 23, 2017 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

UNITY BANCORP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

New Jersey (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-12431 (Commission File Number)

22-3282551 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

64 Old Highway 22 Clinton, NJ 08809 (Address of Principal Executive Office)

(908) 730-7630

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- "Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

The Registrant issued a press release on February 23, 2017 announcing the declaration of a cash dividend of \$0.05 per common share payable on March 31, 2017 to shareholders of record as of March 17, 2017. The full text of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 with this current report on Form 8-K and is hereby incorporated by reference in response to this item.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press release issued by the Registrant on February 23, 2017.

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.

UNITY BANCORP, INC. (Registrant)

Date: February 23, 2017 By: /s/ Alan J. Bedner Alan J. Bedner

EVP and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT # DESCRIPTION

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