

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): November 10, 2009

**LAPORTE BANCORP, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Federal  
(State or Other Jurisdiction)  
of Incorporation)

001-33733  
(Commission File No.)

26-1231235  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

710 Indiana Avenue, LaPorte, Indiana  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

46350  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (219) 362-7511

Not Applicable

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

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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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 Board of Directors of LaPorte Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”) has authorized a stock repurchase program pursuant to which the Company intends to repurchase, in the open market and in privately negotiated transactions, up to 3 percent (approximately 63,400 shares) of the Company’s outstanding public shares commencing on Friday, November 13, 2009. The timing of the repurchases will depend on certain factors, including but not limited to, market conditions and prices, the Company’s liquidity requirements and alternative uses of capital. Any repurchased shares will be held as treasury stock and will be available for general corporate purposes.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired: None
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information: None
- (c) Shell company transactions: None
- (d) Exhibits: None

## **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.

### **LAPORTE BANCORP, INC.**

DATE: November 12, 2009

By: /s/ Lee A. Brady  
Lee A. Brady  
President and Chief Executive Officer