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: February 16, 2018

NORTHWEST INDIANA BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-26128 (Commission File Number) 35-1927981 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

9204 Columbia Avenue Munster, Indiana 46321 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(219) 836-4400 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following	g 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))	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of the Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).	is chapter) o
Emerging growth company □	
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with an revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.	y new or

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On February 16, 2018, NorthWest Indiana Bancorp (the "Bancorp") issued a press release announcing that the Board of Directors has declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.29 per share on the Bancorp's common stock payable on April 6, 2018 to shareholders of record on March 30, 2018. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 <u>Dividend Press Release dated February 16, 2018</u>

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: February 16, 2018

NORTHWEST INDIANA BANCORP

By: /s/ Benjamin Bochnowski
Name: Benjamin Bochnowski

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit

<u>Number</u> <u>Description</u>

99.1 <u>Dividend Press Release date February 16, 2018</u>

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE February 16, 2018

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT BENJAMIN BOCHNOWSKI (219) 853-7575

NORTHWEST INDIANA BANCORP DECLARES FIRST QUARTER DIVIDEND

Munster, Indiana - - NorthWest Indiana Bancorp, the parent company for Peoples Bank, today announced that the Board of Directors of the Bancorp declared a dividend of \$0.29 per share payable on April 6, 2018, with a record date of March 30, 2018.

About NorthWest Indiana Bancorp

NorthWest Indiana Bancorp is a locally managed and independent financial holding company headquartered in Munster, Indiana, whose activities are primarily limited to holding the stock of Peoples Bank. Peoples Bank provides a wide range of personal, business, electronic and wealth management financial services from its 16 locations in Lake and Porter Counties in Northwest Indiana. NorthWest Indiana Bancorp's common stock is traded on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol NWIN. The website ibankpeoples.com provides information on Peoples Bank's products and services, and NorthWest Indiana Bancorp's investor relations.

Forward Looking Statements

"Forward-looking statements" as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 may be included in this release. A variety of factors could cause the Bancorp's actual results to differ from those expected at the time of this release. These include, but are not limited to, changes in economic conditions in the Bancorp's market area, changes in policies by regulatory agencies, fluctuation in interest rates, demand for loans in the Bancorp's market area, economic conditions in the financial services industry, the Bancorp's ability to successfully integrate the operations of recently acquired institutions, competition and other risks set forth in the Bancorp's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016. Readers are urged to carefully review and consider the various disclosures made by the Bancorp in its periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and the Bancorp undertakes no obligation to update them in light of new information or future events.