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): April 23, 2024

HBT FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

001-39085

(Commission File Number)

37-1117216 (IRS Employer

Identification Number)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

401 North Hershey Rd

Bloomington, Illinois		61704
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
(Registra	(888) 897-2276 nt's telephone number, including	g area code)
(Former name	N/A e or former address, if changed s	since last report)
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intollowing provisions (<i>see</i> General Instruction A.2. below):	ended to simultaneously satisfy	the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the
☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the	he Securities Act (17 CFR 230.4	125)
Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the l	Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a	-12)
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule	14d-2(b) under the Exchange A	act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule	· · ·	
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	HBT	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
ndicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging hapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 193 f an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to	34 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). The registrant has elected not to us	Emerging growth company se the extended transition period for complying with any new

Item 8.01 Other Events. On April 23, 2024, the Board of Directors of HBT Financial, Inc. (the "Company") declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.19 per share on the Company's common stock (the "Dividend"). The Dividend is payable on May 14, 2024 to shareholders of record as of May 7, 2024.

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.

HBT FINANCIAL, INC.

By: /s/ Peter R. Chapman

Name: Peter R. Chapman Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 24, 2024