

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC
Form 8-K
February 13, 2017

**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): February 8, 2017

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INCORPORATED
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-12911 77-0239383
(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer
of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

585 West Beach Street
Watsonville, California 95076
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (831) 724-1011

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 Instructions A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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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 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On February 8, 2017, the Board of Directors (the “*Board*”) of Granite Construction Incorporated (the “*Company*”), upon the recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, elected David C. Darnell, Patricia D. Galloway and Celeste B. Mastin as new directors, effective February 8, 2017. Mr. Darnell and Ms. Mastin join the class of directors whose terms expire at the Company’s 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, and Ms. Galloway joins the class of directors whose terms expire at the Company’s 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Mr. Darnell will serve on the Company’s Audit/Compliance Committee and Executive Committee. Ms. Galloway will serve on the Company’s Audit/Compliance Committee and Executive Committee. Ms. Mastin will serve on the Company’s Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and Compensation Committee.

The Board has determined that Mr. Darnell, Ms. Galloway and Ms. Mastin meet the independence requirements of the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange.

As non-employee directors, Mr. Darnell, Ms. Galloway and Ms. Mastin will receive compensation in the same manner as the Company’s other non-employee directors, which compensation the Company previously disclosed in its definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “*SEC*”) on April 26, 2016.

The Company will enter into an Indemnification Agreement (the “*Indemnification Agreement*”) with Mr. Darnell, Ms. Galloway and Ms. Mastin. The Indemnification Agreement is in the same form as the indemnification agreement for directors that the Company previously filed with the SEC as Exhibit 10.10 to the Company’s Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Darnell, Ms. Galloway and Ms. Mastin and any other person pursuant to which he or she was elected as a director. There are no transactions involving Mr. Darnell, Ms. Galloway and Ms. Mastin that would be required to be reported under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are attached hereto and furnished herewith:

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release of the Company, dated February 10, 2017

[Signature page follows.]

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.

GRANITE CONSTRUCTION
INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Richard A. Watts

Richard A. Watts

Senior Vice President, General Counsel
and Secretary

Date: February 10, 2017

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