GREEN BANKSHARES, INC.

Form 8-K April 10, 2012 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 9, 2012

GREEN BANKSHARES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Tennessee0-1428962-1222567(State or other jurisdiction of(Commission (IRS Employer))

incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification No.)

100 North Main Street

Greeneville, Tennessee 37743-4992

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(423) 639-5111

(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 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))

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 9, 2012, Green Bankshares, Inc. (Nasdaq: GRNB) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarterly period and fiscal year ended December 31, 2011. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Pursuant to General Instruction B.2 of the Current Report on Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the press release appearing in Exhibit 99.1, is furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. Furthermore, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the press release appearing in Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description of Document

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated April 9, 2012 -2-

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.

Date: April 10, 2012 GREEN BANKSHARES, INC.

By: /s/ Christopher G. Marshall Christopher G. Marshall

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Description of Document

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated April 9, 2012

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