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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): May 11, 2016 (May 9, 2016)

Whitestone REIT

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Maryland 001-34855 76-0594970

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2600 South Gessner, Suite 500

Houston, TX 77063

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(713) 827-9595

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

Whitestone REIT (the "Company") held its annual meeting of shareholders (the "Annual Meeting") on May 9, 2016. At the Annual Meeting, the Company's shareholders voted on each of the proposals presented, which are described in more detail in the Company's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 30, 2016. Holders of 23,288,764 shares of the Company's common stock were present in person or represented by proxy at the Annual Meeting.

The following are the voting results on each proposal presented to the Company's shareholders at the Annual Meeting:

Proposal 1: Election of Trustee

The following individual was elected as a trustee to serve until the 2019 annual meeting of shareholders and until his successor is duly elected and qualified. The following votes were taken in connection with this proposal:

Trustee Votes For Votes Withheld Broker Non-Votes Paul T. Lambert 11,265,9353,247,594 8,775,235

Daryl J. Carter and Donald F. Keating will continue to hold office until the 2017 annual meeting of shareholders and Jack L. Mahaffey and James C. Mastandrea will continue to hold office until the 2018 annual meeting of shareholders.

Proposal 2: Ratification of the Selection of the Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The proposal to ratify the selection of Pannell Kerr Forster of Texas, P.C. as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016 was approved. The following votes were taken in connection with this proposal:

Votes For Votes Against Abstentions Broker Non-Votes 22,336,233 876,420 76,111 —

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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.

Whitestone REIT

/s/ David

Date: May 11, 2016 By: K.

Holeman David K. Holeman Chief Financial Officer