HAWTHORN BANCSHARES, INC.

Form 8-K January 30, 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): January 27, 2017

Commission File Number: 0-23636

Hawthorn Bancshares, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter.)

Missouri

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 43-1626350 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

132 East High Street, PO Box 688, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 (Address of principal executive offices)

573-761-6117 (Registrant's Telephone number)

Not Applicable

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 30, 2017 Hawthorn Bancshares, Inc. issued a press release announcing its Board of Directors approved a quarterly cash dividend of 6 cents per common share payable April 1, 2017 to shareholders of record at the close of business March 15, 2017.

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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.

Hawthorn Bancshares, Inc.

Date: January 30, 2017

By: /s/ David T. Turner

Name: David T. Turner

Title: Chairman, CEO & President

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| EX-99.1 | Hawthorn Bancshares Announces Cash Dividend |