UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington D.C. 20549

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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): July 20, 2023

South Plains Financial, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-38895 (Commission File Number) **75-2453320** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

5219 City Bank Parkway Lubbock, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)

79407 (Zip Code)

(806) 792-7101

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ 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))

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 \$1.00 per share	SPFI	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 20, 2023, South Plains Financial, Inc. issued a press release announcing the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.13 per share on its outstanding common stock. The dividend will be paid on August 14, 2023 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on July 31, 2023. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
- <u>99.1</u> Press release, dated July 20, 2023, announcing South Plains Financial, Inc. quarterly cash dividend.
- 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL).

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.

SOUTH PLAINS FINANCIAL, INC.

By: /s/ Steven B. Crockett

Steven B. Crockett Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Dated: July 20, 2023



South Plains Financial, Inc.

South Plains Financial, Inc. Declares Quarterly Cash Dividend

LUBBOCK, Texas, July 20, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) - South Plains Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ:SPFI) ("South Plains"), the parent company of City Bank, today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.13 per share of common stock. The dividend is payable on August 14, 2023 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on July 31, 2023.

About South Plains Financial, Inc.

South Plains is the bank holding company for City Bank, a Texas state-chartered bank headquartered in Lubbock, Texas. City Bank is one of the largest independent banks in West Texas and has additional banking operations in the Dallas, El Paso, Greater Houston, the Permian Basin, and College Station, Texas markets, and the Ruidoso, New Mexico market. South Plains provides a wide range of commercial and consumer financial services to small and medium-sized businesses and individuals in its market areas. Its principal business activities include commercial and retail banking, along with investment, trust and mortgage services. Please visit <u>https://www.spfi.bank</u> for more information.

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