GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC Form 8-K July 25, 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)

July 24, 2012

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Maryland 0-18082 43-1524856
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

1451 East Battlefield, Springfield, Missouri 65804 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (417) 887-4400

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On July 24, 2012, the Registrant issued a press release reporting second quarter and first half of 2012 earnings. A copy of the press release, including unaudited financial information released as a part thereof, is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
 - 99.1 Press release dated July 24, 2012

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.

Date: July 25, 2012 By: /s/ Joseph W. Turner

Joseph W. Turner, President and Chief Executive Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated July 24, 2012