

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 26, 2012

Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc.

(*Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter*)

Louisiana
(*State of incorporation*)

001-34279
(*Commission File Number*)

72-1147390
(*IRS Employer Identification No.*)

567 Thompson Road, Houma, Louisiana
(*Address of principal executive offices*)

70363
(*Zip Code*)

(985) 872-2100
(*Registrant's telephone number, including area code*)

N/A
(*Former name or former address, if changed since last report*)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(d) On July 26, 2012, the board of directors of Gulf Island Fabrication, Inc. (the “Company”) approved (i) an increase in the size of the board from eight to nine directors and (ii) the election of Kirk J. Meche, the Company’s President and Chief Operating Officer, as a new member of the board of directors to fill the vacancy created by such increase, effective immediately. Mr. Meche was appointed a Class III Director with a term expiring at the Company’s annual meeting of shareholders in 2015.

There was no arrangement or understanding between Mr. Meche and any other persons pursuant to which Mr. Meche was elected as a director. There are no transactions reportable pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K in connection with Mr. Meche’s election as a director.

Mr. Meche will not receive compensation for his service on the board of directors.

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.

GULF ISLAND FABRICATION, INC.

By: _____
/s/ Kerry J. Chauvin
Kerry J. Chauvin
Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: July 27, 2012