

**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): **May 15, 2018**

STERLING BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-38290

(Commission
File No.)

38-3163775

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

One Towne Square, Suite 1900

Southfield, Michigan 48076

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(248) 355-2400**

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))

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).

Emerging growth company x

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. x

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

(a) At the annual meeting of shareholders (the "**Annual Meeting**") of Sterling Bancorp, Inc. (the "**Company**") held on May 15, 2018, shareholders (i) elected three director nominees to the Company's board of directors to serve three-year terms, and (ii) ratified the appointment of Crowe Horwath LLP as the Company's independent registered accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2018.

The proposals are described in detail in the Company's definitive proxy statement filed on April 18, 2018 with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

A total of 51,049,909 shares of the Company's common stock were present at the meeting in person or by proxy, which represents approximately 96.38% of the shares of common stock outstanding as of the record date for the Annual Meeting.

(b) The results of the voting are shown below.

Proposal 1—Election of Directors

| Director Nominees | Votes For | Votes Withheld | Broker Non-Votes |
|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Barry Allen | 46,298,062 | 4,035,117 | 716,730 |
| Jon Fox | 45,733,737 | 4,599,442 | 716,730 |
| Lyle Wolberg | 48,452,598 | 1,880,581 | 716,730 |

Proposal 2—Ratification of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for 2018

| Votes For | Votes Against | Votes Abstain |
|------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| 50,983,835 | 61,231 | 4,843 |

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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.

STERLING BANCORP, INC.

Dated: May 17, 2018

By: /s/ THOMAS LOPP
Thomas Lopp
President, Chief Operations Officer and Chief Financial Officer

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