

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/
Form 8-K
May 25, 2018
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 21, 2018

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware | 1-2402 | 41-0319970 |
| (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification Number) |

1 Hormel Place
Austin, MN 55912
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (507) 437-5611

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

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.

Section 5 — CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On May 21, 2018 the Board of Directors of Hormel Foods Corporation (the “Company”) approved the amendment and restatement of the Company’s Bylaws to reflect certain updates and modernize the Bylaws.

The amendments include the following: (i) conforming the Bylaws to developments under the Delaware General Corporation Law, such as providing flexibility for the use of electronic transmission for various notices, (ii) delegating to the Company’s Chief Executive Officer the authority to appoint and remove corporate officers, other than Executive Vice Presidents, Group Vice Presidents and Senior Vice Presidents, (iii) requiring a stockholder who seeks to bring business or nominate persons for election as directors before an annual stockholder meeting to disclose information regarding the proponent’s economic interests in the Company, and (iv) clarifying that the Chairman of the Board is not an officer position within the Company. The amendments also incorporate certain other non-substantive updates and clarifications.

Section 9 — FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibit filed pursuant to Item 5.03

3(ii) Amended and restated Bylaws of Hormel Foods Corporation, effective May 21, 2018

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.

HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION
(Registrant)

Dated: May 25, 2018 By /s/ JAMES P. SNEE

JAMES P. SNEE
Chairman of the Board, President and
Chief Executive Officer

Dated: May 25, 2018 By /s/ JAMES N. SHEEHAN

JAMES N. SHEEHAN
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer