UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): December 1, 2020

Midland States Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Illinois (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-35272 (Commission File Number)

37-1233196

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1201 Network Centre Drive Effingham, Illinois 62401

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (217) 342-7321

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report.) 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, \$0.01 par value	MSBI	Nasdaq Global Select Market

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):	
☐ 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 his chapter) or Rule 12b– 2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b–2 of this chapter).	of
Emerging growth company \square	
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying winnew or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box	th

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On December 1, 2020, the Board of Directors of Midland States Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") approved an extension of the Company's previously announced share repurchase program to December 31, 2021. As of December 1, 2020, the Company had remaining authority under the program to purchase up to \$6.4 million of its common stock.

Stock repurchases under the program may be made from time to time on the open market, in privately negotiated transactions, or in any manner that complies with applicable securities laws, at the discretion of the Company. The amended program will be in effect until December 31, 2021, with the timing of purchases and the number of shares repurchased under the program dependent upon a variety of factors including price, trading volume, corporate and regulatory requirements and market condition. The repurchase program may be suspended or discontinued at any time without notice.

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.

Date: December 2, 2020 MIDLAND STATES BANCORP, INC.

By: <u>/s/ Douglas J. Tucker</u> Name: Douglas J. Tucker

Title: Senior Vice President and Corporate Counsel