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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): December 23, 2009

PATHFINDER BANCORP, INC. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

> Commission File Number 000-23601

Federal (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 16-1540137 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

214 West First Street, Oswego, NY 13126 (Address of Principal Executive Office) (Zip Code)

(315) 343-0057 (Registrant's Telephone Number including area code)

Not Applicable Former Name or Former Address, If Changed Since Last Report

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:

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Section 8 - Other Events

Item 8.01

News Release:

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Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc. Declares Fourth Quarter Dividend

OSWEGO, New York (December 22, 2009) - Thomas W. Schneider, President/CEO of Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc., the mid-tier holding company of Pathfinder Bank, (NASDAQ SmallCap Market; symbol: PBHC, listing: PathBcp) has announced that the Company has declared a cash dividend of \$.03 per share on the Company's common stock relating to the fiscal quarter ending December 31, 2009. The dividend will be payable to all shareholders of record on January 14, 2010 and will be paid on January 30, 2010.

About Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc.

Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc. is the mid-tier holding company of Pathfinder Bank, a New York chartered savings bank headquartered in Oswego, New York. The Bank has seven full service offices located in its market area consisting of Oswego County. Presently, the only business conducted by Pathfinder Bancorp, Inc. is the 100% ownership of Pathfinder Bank and Pathfinder Statutory Trust I.

This release may contain certain forward-looking statements, which are based on management's current expectations regarding economic, legislative, and regulatory issues that may impact the Company's earnings in future periods. Factors that could cause future results to vary materially from current management expectations include, but are not limited to, general economic conditions, changes in interest rates, deposit flows, loan demand, real estate values, and competition; changes in accounting principles, policies, or guidelines; changes in legislation or regulation; and economic, competitive, governmental, regulatory, and technological factors affecting the Company's operations, pricing, products, and services.

SIGNATURES

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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 23, 2009

By: /s/ Thomas W. Schneider Thomas W. Schneider President and Chief Executive Officer