AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC Form 8-K February 17, 2010

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) February 17, 2010

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-12820 (Commission File Number) 54-1284688 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

628 Main Street, Danville, VA24541(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 434-792-5111

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR o240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR o240.13a-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On February 16, 2010, American National Bankshares Inc. declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.23 per share of common stock. The dividend is payable March 19, 2010, to shareholders of record on March 5, 2010.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits (d) Exhibits: 99.1 News Release

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: February 17, 2010 /s/ William W. Traynham Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer