

Faas Michael D
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Faas Michael D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MERCANTILE BANK CORP
 [MBWM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

2808 BYRON STATION DRIVE
 SW

02/24/2012

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BYRON CENTER, MI 49315

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common stock	02/24/2012		P		1,986 A \$ 12.65	9,686	D
Common stock	02/24/2012		P		99 A \$ 12.7	9,785	D
Common stock	02/24/2012		P		99 A \$ 12.89	9,884	D
Common stock	02/24/2012		P		100 A \$ 12.9	9,984	D
Common stock	02/24/2012		P		811 A \$ 13	10,795	D

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Table with 8 columns: Security Type, Date, Type, Quantity, Price, Total Value, and Option Code. Rows include Common stock transactions from 02/24/2012.

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Table II header with 10 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired/Disposed of, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address and Relationships. Entry for Faas Michael D at 2808 BYRON STATION DRIVE SW, BYRON CENTER, MI 49315, with a checkmark under Director.

Signatures

/s/ Jerome M. Schwartz
Attorney-in-fact
02/27/2012
**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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