Wheeler Real Estate Investment Trust, Inc. Form 8-K April 10, 2013

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF

THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (date of earliest event reported): April 9, 2013

WHEELER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or Other Jurisdiction

001-35713 (Commission 45-2681082 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)
2529 Virginia Beach Blvd., Suite 200

Identification No.)

Virginia Beach, VA 23452

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (757) 627-9088

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS, COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.

On April 9, 2013, John McAuliffe resigned his position as (a) a member of the Registrant s Board of Directors and (b) the Chairman of the Registrant s Audit Committee.

On April 9, 2013, the Registrant s Board of Directors appointed Carl B. McGowan, Jr. to fill Mr. McAuliffe s vacancies on the Board of Directors and its Audit Committee.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

| (a) | Financial statements of businesses acqu | iired. |
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| Not A | Applicable. | |

- (b) Pro forma financial information. Not Applicable.
- (c) Shell company transactions. Not Applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release, dated April 9, 2013, relating to the appointment of Carl B. McGowan, Jr. as a director and resignation of John McAuliffe as a director.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

WHEELER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ Jon S. Wheeler Jon S. Wheeler

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: April 10, 2013

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Number | Description of Exhibit |
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