

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES INC
Form 8-K
March 17, 2005

**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): March 17, 2005

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-27782
(Commission File
Number)

11-3297463
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

209 Havemeyer Street, Brooklyn, New York 11211
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (718) 782-6200

None
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5.03 Amendment of Bylaws

On March 17, 2005, the Board of Directors of Dime Community Bancshares, Inc. amended Article IV, Section 3 of its Bylaws to extend for an additional year the mandatory retirement age of the class of directors whose term expires in 2006.

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.

DIME COMMUNITY BANCSHARES, INC.

/s/ KENNETH J. MAHON

By: _____

Kenneth J. Mahon

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: March 17, 2005