

HORMEL FOODS CORP /DE/  
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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) **January 31, 2012**

**HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other  
Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**1-2402**  
(Commission File  
Number)

**41-0319970**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification  
Number)

**1 Hormel Place**

**Austin, MN 55912**

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(507) 437-5611**

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**Section 5 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT****Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders**

The Company conducted its annual stockholders meeting on January 31, 2012.

At the annual meeting, 229,076,354 shares were represented (86.8 percent of the 264,037,493 shares outstanding and entitled to vote). Two items were considered at the meeting and the results of the voting were as follows:

1. Election of Directors: The nominees in the proxy statement were: Terrell K. Crews, Jeffrey M. Ettinger, Jody H. Feragen, Glenn S. Forbes, M.D., Stephen M. Lacy, Susan I. Marvin, Michael J. Mendes, John L. Morrison, Elsa A. Murano, Ph.D., Robert C. Nakasone, Susan K. Nestegard, and Dakota A. Pippins. The results were as follows:

<b><u>DIRECTOR:</u></b>	<b><u>FOR</u></b>	<b><u>WITHHELD</u></b>	<b><u>BROKER NON- VOTE (BNV)</u></b>
Terrell K. Crews	205,929,462	281,670	22,865,222
Jeffrey M. Ettinger	203,783,492	2,427,640	22,865,222
Jody H. Feragen	202,311,401	3,899,731	22,865,222
Glenn S. Forbes, M.D.	201,218,581	4,992,551	22,865,222
Stephen M. Lacy	201,197,595	5,013,537	22,865,222
Susan I. Marvin	205,869,282	341,850	22,865,222
Michael J. Mendes	205,642,159	568,973	22,865,222
John L. Morrison	205,904,387	306,745	22,865,222
Elsa A. Murano, Ph.D.	205,809,082	402,050	22,865,222
Robert C. Nakasone	205,886,663	324,469	22,865,222
Susan K. Nestegard	201,321,130	4,890,002	22,865,222
Dakota A. Pippins	201,582,968	4,628,164	22,865,222

2. Ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm of the Company for the fiscal year ending October 28, 2012:

For:	227,014,673
Against:	1,969,083
Abstain:	92,598

**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.

**HORMEL FOODS CORPORATION**

(Registrant)

Dated: February 2, 2012

By

/s/J. H. FERAGEN

J. H. FERAGEN  
Executive Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: February 2, 2012

By

/s/J. N. SHEEHAN

J. N. SHEEHAN  
Vice President and Controller