Gaming & Leisure Properties, Inc. Form 8-K May 20, 2016

## **UNITED STATES**

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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): May 18, 2016

GAMING AND LEISURE PROPERTIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

PENNSYLVANIA (State or Other Jurisdiction of

**001-36124** (Commission

46-2116489 (IRS Employer

**Incorporation or Organization)** 

file number) 845 Berkshire Blvd., Suite 200 **Identification Number**)

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## Wyomissing, PA 19610

(Address of principal executive offices)

## 610-401-2900

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (See General Instruction A.2 below):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- " Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 18, 2016, Gaming and Leisure Properties, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation (the Company), entered into an underwriting agreement (the Underwriting Agreement) with certain selling shareholders (the Selling Shareholders) affiliated with Fortress Investment Group LLC, and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as underwriters, with respect to the sale (the Offering) by the Selling Shareholders of 10,530,624 shares of the Company s common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the Common Stock). The Company did not receive any of the proceeds from the Offering.

The Offering is expected to close on May 24, 2016, subject to customary closing conditions.

The Offering was made pursuant to a prospectus supplement and an accompanying prospectus related to the Company s effective shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-210423), each of which has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The foregoing is a summary description of certain terms of the Underwriting Agreement and is qualified in its entirety by the text of the Underwriting Agreement attached as Exhibit 1.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

This Current Report on Form 8-K does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, any of the Company s securities, including, without limitation, those securities proposed to be offered and sold pursuant to the preliminary prospectus supplement, final prospectus supplement and registration statement described above.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (d) Exhibits

#### **Exhibit**

## No. Description

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement dated May 18, 2016, among the Company, with certain selling shareholders (the Selling Shareholders ) affiliated with Fortress Investment Group LLC, and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as underwriters.
- 5.1 Opinion of Ballard Spahr LLP.
- 23.1 Consent of Ballard Spahr LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

This communication includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including, but not limited to, statements regarding the proposed public offering, the expected net proceeds of the offering, the anticipated use of proceeds of the offering and the timing of completion of the offering. These statements can be identified by the use of forward looking terminology such as expects, believes, estimates, intends, may, will, should or anticipates or the negative variation of these or similar words, or by discussions of future events, strategies or risks and uncertainties. Such forward looking statements are inherently subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions about GLPI and its subsidiaries, including those described under the section entitled Risk Factors in GLPI s Annual Report on Form 10-K

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for the year ended December 31, 2015, as such factors may be updated from time to time in GLPI s periodic filings with the SEC, which are accessible on the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. All subsequent written and oral forward looking statements attributable to GLPI or persons acting on GLPI s behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements included in this press release and in the Company s filings with the SEC. GLPI undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward looking statements contained or incorporated by reference herein, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by law. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward looking events discussed in this press release may not occur.

## **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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: May 20, 2016 GAMING AND LEISURE PROPERTIES, INC.

By: /s/ William J. Clifford Name: William J. Clifford Title: Chief Financial Officer

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