DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL CO Form 8-K January 28, 2013

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 28, 2013 (January 22, 2013)

DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL COMPANY

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

TEXAS (State of incorporation or organization) 001-34404 (Commission 75-0970548 (I.R.S. employer

file number)

identification number)

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508 W. WALL, SUITE 800

MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (432) 684-3000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 22, 2013, the Board of Directors (the Board) of Dawson Geophysical Company (the Company), on the recommendation of the Compensation Committee and in accordance with the Company s practice during fiscal 2012 and 2011, approved a deferral of 5% of the fiscal 2013 salary of Stephen C. Jumper, Christina W. Hagan, C. Ray Tobias, James W. Thomas and K. S. Forsdick. The deferred portion will be paid in December of 2013 and will not change the total amount of salary payable to the named executive officers. The Compensation Committee has delegated to Mr. Jumper the authority to determine in future years whether a portion of the salary of the named executive officers (other than Mr. Jumper) will continue to be deferred.

Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

The Company s Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held on January 22, 2013.

The following proposals were adopted by the margins indicated:

1. To elect a Board of Directors to hold office until the next annual meeting of shareholders and until their successors are elected and qualified.

	Ν	Number of Shares		
			Broker	
Director Name	For	Withheld	Non-Votes	
Craig W. Cooper	4,936,343	834,660	1,482,435	
Gary M. Hoover	4,814,998	956,005	1,482,435	
Stephen C. Jumper	4,815,883	955,120	1,482,435	
Jack D. Ladd	4,936,663	834,340	1,482,435	
Ted R. North	4,931,919	839,084	1,482,435	
Tim C. Thompson	4,809,224	961,779	1,482,435	

2. To ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013.

	Number of Shares
For	6,351,287
Against	43,324
Abstain	858,827

3. To approve, on an advisory basis, the executive compensation of the named executive officers.

	Number of Shares
For	4,972,185
Against	91,359
Abstain	707,459
Broker Non-Votes	1,482,435

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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.

DAWSON GEOPHYSICAL COMPANY

Date: January 28, 2013

By: /s/ Christina W. Hagan Christina W. Hagan Executive Vice President, Secretary and Chief Financial Officer

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