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Form 8-K May 27, 2005

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): May 26, 2005

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-11001 06-0619596 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

3 High Ridge Park Stamford, Connecticut 06905 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(203) 614-5600 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

No Change Since Last Report

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

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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 Principal Officers; Election of Directors;

Appointment of Principal Officers

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(d) On May 26, 2005, Leroy T. Barnes, Jr. was elected as a director to fill a vacancy on the board. Mr. Barnes will serve on the Audit Committee.

ITEM 8.01 Other Events

On May 26, 2005, Citizens Communications Company announced that its Board of Directors authorized a stock repurchase program and declared its regular quarterly cash dividend. Additionally, the Company announced its debt retirement plans for notes coming due in 2006.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits:

 $99.1\ \mathrm{Press}\ \mathrm{Release}$ of Citizens Communications Company released May 26, 2005.

SIGNATURE

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.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY (Registrant)

By: /s/ Robert J. Larson

Robert J. Larson Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

Date: May 27, 2005