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September 21, 2010

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): September 21, 2010

ALPINE TOTAL DYNAMIC DIVIDEND FUND

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 811-21980 20-5785181 (IRS Employer (State or other jurisdiction (Commission of incorporation) Identification No.) File Number) 2500 Westchester Avenue, Suite 215, Purchase, New York, 10577

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (914) 251-0880

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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

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Item 5.03

Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On September 15, 2010, the Board of Trustees of Alpine Total Dynamic Dividend Fund (the Fund) approved and adopted an amendment (the Amendment) to the By-Laws of the Fund. The Amendment was effective as of September 15, 2010. The Amendment sets forth the processes and procedures that shareholders of the Fund must follow, and specifies additional information that shareholders of the Fund must provide, when proposing trustee nominations at any annual or special meeting of shareholders or other business to be considered at an annual meeting of shareholders.

The preceding is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Amendment, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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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.

Alpine Total Dynamic Dividend Fund

By:

/s/ Ronald Palmer

Ronald Palmer

Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 21, 2010