



**(616) 406-3000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer   
Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).

Yes  No

At November 6, 2015, there were 16,265,996 shares of common stock outstanding.

---

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

INDEX

	<u>Page No.</u>
<u>PART I. Financial Information</u>	
<u>Item 1. Financial Statements</u>	
<u>Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited) - September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014</u>	1
<u>Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income (Unaudited) - Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 and September 30, 2014</u>	2
<u>Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income (Unaudited) - Three and Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 and September 30, 2014</u>	3
<u>Condensed Consolidated Statements of Changes in Shareholders' Equity (Unaudited) - Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 and September 30, 2014</u>	4
<u>Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited) - Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 and September 30, 2014</u>	6
<u>Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements (Unaudited)</u>	8
<u>Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations</u>	69
<u>Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk</u>	88
<u>Item 4. Controls and Procedures</u>	91
<u>PART II. Other Information</u>	
<u>Item 1. Legal Proceedings</u>	92
<u>Item 1A. Risk Factors</u>	92
<u>Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds</u>	92
<u>Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities</u>	92
<u>Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures</u>	92

<u>Item 5. Other Information</u>	92
<u>Item 6. Exhibits</u>	93
<u>Signatures</u>	94

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## PART I --- FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Financial Statements

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited)

---

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and due from banks	\$43,743,000	\$43,754,000
Interest-bearing deposits	49,952,000	117,777,000
Federal funds sold	10,154,000	11,207,000
Total cash and cash equivalents	103,849,000	172,738,000
Securities available for sale	367,173,000	432,912,000
Federal Home Loan Bank stock	7,567,000	13,699,000
Loans	2,217,388,000	2,089,277,000
Allowance for loan losses	(16,119,000 )	(20,041,000 )
Loans, net	2,201,269,000	2,069,236,000
Premises and equipment, net	47,509,000	48,812,000
Bank owned life insurance	58,680,000	57,861,000
Goodwill	49,473,000	49,473,000
Core deposit intangible	13,346,000	15,624,000
Other assets	32,511,000	33,024,000
Total assets	\$2,881,377,000	\$2,893,379,000
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Deposits		
Noninterest-bearing	\$619,125,000	\$558,738,000
Interest-bearing	1,635,004,000	1,718,177,000
Total deposits	2,254,129,000	2,276,915,000
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	158,149,000	167,569,000
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	68,000,000	54,022,000
Subordinated debentures	54,983,000	54,472,000

Edgar Filing: MERCANTILE BANK CORP - Form 10-Q

Accrued interest and other liabilities	17,296,000	12,263,000
Total liabilities	2,552,557,000	2,565,241,000
Shareholders' equity		
Preferred stock, no par value; 1,000,000 shares authorized; none issued	0	0
Common stock, no par value; 40,000,000 shares authorized; 16,279,234 shares outstanding at September 30, 2015 and 16,976,839 shares outstanding at December 31, 2014	304,378,000	317,904,000
Retained earnings	23,673,000	10,218,000
Accumulated other comprehensive income	769,000	16,000
Total shareholders' equity	328,820,000	328,138,000
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$2,881,377,000	\$2,893,379,000

---

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

1.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended Sept 30, 2015	Three Months Ended Sept 30, 2014	Nine Months Ended Sept 30, 2015	Nine Months Ended Sept 30, 2014
Interest income				
Loans, including fees	\$26,565,000	\$26,323,000	\$77,463,000	\$55,079,000
Securities, taxable	1,382,000	1,992,000	4,556,000	4,619,000
Securities, tax-exempt	512,000	553,000	1,572,000	1,110,000
Other interest-earning assets	42,000	32,000	161,000	163,000
Total interest income	28,501,000	28,900,000	83,752,000	60,971,000
Interest expense				
Deposits	1,969,000	1,971,000	5,642,000	6,279,000
Short-term borrowings	39,000	34,000	116,000	83,000
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	203,000	166,000	506,000	472,000
Other borrowings	665,000	740,000	1,973,000	1,532,000
Total interest expense	2,876,000	2,911,000	8,237,000	8,366,000
<b>Net interest income</b>	<b>25,625,000</b>	<b>25,989,000</b>	<b>75,515,000</b>	<b>52,605,000</b>
Provision for loan losses	(500,000 )	(400,000 )	(1,500,000 )	(3,000,000 )
<b>Net interest income after provision for loan losses</b>	<b>26,125,000</b>	<b>26,389,000</b>	<b>77,015,000</b>	<b>55,605,000</b>
Noninterest income				
Services charges on accounts	862,000	862,000	2,444,000	1,749,000
Credit and debit card income	1,005,000	782,000	3,296,000	1,629,000
Mortgage banking activities	1,073,000	569,000	2,784,000	981,000
Earnings on bank owned life insurance	272,000	299,000	820,000	880,000
Other income	1,065,000	387,000	2,648,000	1,456,000
Total noninterest income	4,277,000	2,899,000	11,992,000	6,695,000
Noninterest expense				
Salaries and benefits	10,745,000	10,685,000	31,903,000	23,393,000
Occupancy	1,526,000	1,515,000	4,578,000	3,141,000

Edgar Filing: MERCANTILE BANK CORP - Form 10-Q

Furniture and equipment	569,000	560,000	1,788,000	1,175,000
Data processing costs	1,958,000	1,585,000	5,599,000	3,606,000
FDIC insurance costs	355,000	331,000	1,315,000	733,000
Merger-related costs	0	1,250,000	0	5,081,000
Other expense	4,540,000	4,815,000	14,101,000	8,885,000
Total noninterest expenses	19,693,000	20,741,000	59,284,000	46,014,000
<b>Income before federal income tax expense</b>	10,709,000	8,547,000	29,723,000	16,286,000
Federal income tax expense	3,373,000	2,600,000	9,183,000	5,248,000
<b>Net income</b>	\$7,336,000	\$5,947,000	\$20,540,000	\$11,038,000
Basic earnings per share	\$0.45	\$0.35	\$1.23	\$0.89
Diluted earnings per share	\$0.45	\$0.35	\$1.23	\$0.89
Cash dividends per share	\$0.15	\$0.12	\$0.43	\$2.36
Average basic shares outstanding	16,425,933	16,852,050	16,708,444	12,362,316
Average diluted shares outstanding	16,461,794	16,926,249	16,743,625	12,399,009

---

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

2.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited)

---

	Three Months Ended Sept 30, 2015	Three Months Ended Sept 30, 2014	Nine Months Ended Sept 30, 2015	Nine Months Ended Sept 30, 2014
<b>Net income</b>	\$7,336,000	\$5,947,000	\$20,540,000	\$11,038,000
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Unrealized holding gains (losses) on securities available for sale	1,230,000	712,000	1,395,000	4,861,000
Fair value of interest rate swap	(153,000 )	255,000	(279,000 )	128,000
	1,077,000	967,000	1,116,000	4,989,000
Tax effect of unrealized holding gains (losses) on securities available for sale	(431,000 )	(220,000 )	(461,000 )	(1,701,000 )
Tax effect of fair value of interest rate swap	53,000	(90,000 )	98,000	(44,000 )
	(378,000 )	(310,000 )	(363,000 )	(1,745,000 )
<b>Other comprehensive income, net of tax</b>	699,000	657,000	753,000	3,244,000
<b>Comprehensive income</b>	\$8,035,000	\$6,604,000	\$21,293,000	\$14,282,000

---

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION  
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF  
 CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY  
 (Unaudited)

---

(\$in thousands)	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income	Total Shareholders' Equity
<b>Balances, January 1, 2015</b>	\$ 0	\$317,904	\$10,218	\$ 16	\$ 328,138
Employee stock purchase plan (1,610 shares)		33			33
Dividend reinvestment plan (22,248 shares)		456			456
Stock option exercises (27,375 shares)		281			281
Stock grants to directors for retainer fees (20,094 shares)		402			402
Stock-based compensation expense		525			525
Share repurchase program (765,260 shares)		(15,223 )			(15,223 )
Cash dividends (\$0.43 per common share)			(7,085 )		(7,085 )
Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2015			20,540		20,540
Change in net unrealized holding gain on securities available for sale, net of tax effect				934	934
Change in fair value of interest rate swap, net of tax effect				(181 )	(181 )
<b>Balances, September 30, 2015</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$304,378</b>	<b>\$23,673</b>	<b>\$ 769</b>	<b>\$ 328,820</b>

---

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

4.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF

## CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY (Continued)

(Unaudited)

---

(\$in thousands)	Preferred Stock	Common Stock	Retained Earnings (Deficit)	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total Shareholders' Equity
<b>Balances, January 1, 2014</b>	\$ 0	\$162,999	\$(4,101 )	\$ (5,573 )	\$ 153,325
Employee stock purchase plan (523 shares)		10			10
Dividend reinvestment plan (4,695 shares)		90			90
Stock option exercises (24,110 shares)		229			229
Stock grants to directors for retainer fees (7,375 shares)		155			155
Stock-based compensation expense		364			364
Cash dividends (\$2.36 per common share)		(21,447 )	(989 )		(22,436 )
Common stock issued in connection with Firstbank merger (8,087,272 shares)		173,310			173,310
Stock options issued to replace existing Firstbank options at merger date		1,664			1,664
Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2014			11,038		11,038
Change in net unrealized holding gain on securities available for sale, net of tax effect				3,160	3,160
Change in fair value of interest rate swap, net of tax effect				84	84



Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

	Nine Months Ended Sept 30, 2015	Nine Months Ended Sept 30, 2014
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Net income	\$20,540,000	\$11,038,000
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash from operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization	8,596,000	4,734,000
Accretion of acquired loans	(4,264,000 )	(1,687,000 )
Provision for loan losses	(1,500,000 )	(3,000,000 )
Stock-based compensation expense	525,000	364,000
Stock grants to directors for retainer fee	402,000	155,000
Proceeds from sales of mortgage loans held for sale	94,608,000	41,246,000
Origination of mortgage loans held for sale	(92,260,000 )	(40,481,000)
Net gain from sales of mortgage loans held for sale	(2,831,000 )	(935,000 )
Net gain from sales and valuation write-down of foreclosed assets	(104,000 )	(721,000 )
Net gain from sales of fixed assets	(22,000 )	0
Net gain from sales of available for sale securities	(5,000 )	0
Earnings on bank owned life insurance	(820,000 )	(880,000 )
Net change in:		
Accrued interest receivable	(321,000 )	(269,000 )
Other assets	(1,731,000 )	184,000
Accrued interest and other liabilities	4,754,000	(1,261,000 )
Net cash from operating activities	25,567,000	8,487,000
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Cash received in merger	0	91,806,000
Loan originations and payments, net	(127,390,000)	(70,034,000)
Purchases of securities available for sale	(8,266,000 )	(14,379,000)
Proceeds from maturities, calls and repayments of securities available for sale	72,277,000	46,445,000
Proceeds from sales of securities available for sale	665,000	0
Proceeds from sales of foreclosed assets	1,431,000	3,184,000
Proceeds from FHLB stock redemption	6,132,000	0
Purchases of premises and equipment	(932,000 )	(1,167,000 )
Net cash from (for) investing activities	(56,083,000 )	55,855,000
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>		

Edgar Filing: MERCANTILE BANK CORP - Form 10-Q

Net decrease in time deposits	(118,950,000)	(40,963,000)
Net increase (decrease) in all other deposits	97,535,000	(35,065,000)
Net increase (decrease) in securities sold under agreements to repurchase	(9,420,000 )	19,080,000
Proceeds from Federal Home Loan Bank advances	20,000,000	0
Maturities of Federal Home Loan Bank advances	(6,000,000 )	0
Proceeds from stock option exercises	281,000	229,000
Employee stock purchase plan	33,000	10,000
Dividend reinvestment plan	456,000	90,000
Repurchase of common stock shares	(15,223,000 )	0
Payment of cash dividends to common shareholders	(7,085,000 )	(22,436,000)
Net cash for financing activities	(38,373,000 )	(79,055,000)

---

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

6.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

(Unaudited)

---

	Nine Months Ended Sept 30, 2015	Nine Months Ended Sept 30, 2014
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(68,889,000 )	(14,713,000 )
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	172,738,000	146,965,000
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 103,849,000	\$ 132,252,000
Supplemental disclosures of cash flows information		
Cash paid during the period for:		
Interest	\$ 8,625,000	\$ 8,574,000
Federal income tax	5,700,000	1,575,000
Noncash financing and investing activities:		
Transfers from loans to foreclosed assets	1,604,000	1,084,000

---

See accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

7.

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

---

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of Presentation:** The unaudited financial statements for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 include the consolidated results of operations of Mercantile Bank Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries. These subsidiaries include Mercantile Bank of Michigan (“our bank”) and our bank’s two subsidiaries, Mercantile Bank Real Estate Co., LLC (“our real estate company”) and Mercantile Insurance Center, Inc. (“our insurance center”). These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the instructions for Form 10-Q and Item 303(b) of Regulation S-K and do not include all disclosures required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for a complete presentation of our financial condition and results of operations. In the opinion of management, the information reflects all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) which are necessary in order to make the financial statements not misleading and for a fair presentation of the results of operations for such periods. The results for the period ended September 30, 2015 should not be considered as indicative of results for a full year. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes included in our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

We have five separate business trusts that were formed to issue trust preferred securities. Subordinated debentures were issued to the trusts in return for the proceeds raised from the issuance of the trust preferred securities. The trusts are not consolidated, but instead we report the subordinated debentures issued to the trusts as a liability.

**Earnings Per Share:** Basic earnings per share is based on the weighted average number of common shares and participating securities outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share include the dilutive effect of additional potential common shares issuable under our stock-based compensation plans and are determined using the treasury stock method. Our unvested restricted shares, which contain non-forfeitable rights to dividends whether paid or accrued (i.e., participating securities), are included in the number of shares outstanding for both basic and diluted earnings per share calculations. In the event of a net loss, our unvested restricted shares are excluded from the calculation of both basic and diluted earnings per share.

Approximately 98,000 unvested restricted shares were included in determining both basic and diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015. In addition, stock options for approximately 106,000

shares of common stock were included in determining diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015. Stock options for approximately 103,000 shares of common stock were antidilutive and not included in determining diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015.

Stock options for approximately 141,000 shares of common stock were included in determining diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014. Stock options for approximately 175,000 shares of common stock were antidilutive and not included in determining diluted earnings per share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014.

---

(Continued)

8.

---

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

---

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

Securities: Debt securities classified as held to maturity are carried at amortized cost when management has the positive intent and ability to hold them to maturity. Debt securities are classified as available for sale when they might be sold prior to maturity. Equity securities with readily determinable fair values are classified as available for sale. Securities available for sale are carried at fair value, with unrealized holding gains and losses reported in other comprehensive income, net of tax. Federal Home Loan Bank stock is carried at cost.

Interest income includes amortization of purchase premiums and accretion of discounts. Premiums and discounts on securities are amortized or accreted on the level-yield method without anticipating prepayments, except for mortgage-backed securities where prepayments are anticipated. Gains and losses on sales are recorded on the trade date and determined using the specific identification method.

Declines in the fair value of debt securities below their amortized cost that are other than temporary (“OTTI”) are reflected in earnings or other comprehensive income, as appropriate. For those debt securities whose fair value is less than their amortized cost, we consider our intent to sell the security, whether it is more likely than not that we will be required to sell the security before recovery and whether we expect to recover the entire amortized cost of the security based on our assessment of the issuer’s financial condition. In analyzing an issuer’s financial condition, we consider whether the securities are issued by the federal government or its agencies, and whether downgrades by bond rating agencies have occurred. If either of the criteria regarding intent or requirement to sell is met, the entire difference between amortized cost and fair value is recognized as impairment through earnings. For debt securities that do not meet the aforementioned criteria, the amount of impairment is split into two components as follows: 1) OTTI related to credit loss, which must be recognized in the income statement, and 2) OTTI related to other factors, such as liquidity conditions in the market or changes in market interest rates, which is recognized in other comprehensive income. The credit loss is defined as the difference between the present value of the cash flows expected to be collected and the amortized cost.

Loans: Loans that we have the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or payoff are reported at the principal balance outstanding, net of deferred loan fees and costs and an allowance for loan losses.

Interest income is accrued on the unpaid principal balance. Loan origination fees, net of certain direct origination costs, are deferred and recognized in interest income using the level-yield method without anticipating prepayments.

Interest income on commercial loans and mortgage loans is discontinued at the time the loan is 90 days delinquent unless the loan is well-secured and in process of collection. Consumer and credit card loans are typically charged off no later than when they are 120 days past due. Past due status is based on the contractual terms of the loan. In all cases, loans are placed on nonaccrual or charged off at an earlier date if collection of principal and interest is considered doubtful.

All interest accrued but not received for loans placed on nonaccrual is reversed against interest income. Interest received on such loans is accounted for on the cash-basis or cost-recovery method, until qualifying for return to accrual. Loans are returned to accrual status when all the principal and interest amounts contractually due are brought current and future payments are reasonably assured.

---

(Continued)

9.

---

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

---

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

**Loans Held for Sale:** Mortgage loans originated and intended for sale in the secondary market are carried at the lower of aggregate cost or market, as determined by outstanding commitments from investors. Net unrealized losses, if any, are recorded as a valuation allowance and charged to earnings. As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we determined that the fair value of our mortgage loans held for sale approximated the recorded cost of \$2.1 million and \$1.6 million, respectively. Loans held for sale are reported as part of our total loans on the balance sheet.

Mortgage loans held for sale are generally sold with servicing rights retained. Gains and losses on sales of mortgage loans are based on the difference between the selling price and the carrying value of the related loan sold, which is reduced by the cost allocated to the servicing right. We generally lock in the sale price to the purchaser of the loan at the same time we make a rate commitment to the borrower. These mortgage banking activities are not designated as hedges and are carried at fair value. The net gain or loss on mortgage banking derivatives is included in the gain on sale of loans. Mortgage loans serviced for others totaled approximately \$603 million as of September 30, 2015.

**Mortgage Banking Activities:** Mortgage loan servicing rights are recognized as assets based on the allocated value of retained servicing rights on mortgage loans sold. Mortgage loan servicing rights are carried at the lower of amortized cost or fair value and are expensed in proportion to, and over the period of, estimated net servicing revenues. Impairment is evaluated based on the fair value of the rights using groupings of the underlying mortgage loans as to interest rates. Any impairment of a grouping is reported as a valuation allowance.

Servicing fee income is recorded for fees earned for serving mortgage loans. The fees are based on a contractual percentage of the outstanding principal or a fixed amount per loan and are recorded as income when earned. Amortization of mortgage loan servicing rights is netted against mortgage loan servicing income and recorded in mortgage banking activities in the income statement.

Troubled Debt Restructurings: A loan is accounted for as a troubled debt restructuring if we, for economic or legal reasons, grant a concession to a borrower considered to be experiencing financial difficulties that we would not otherwise consider. A troubled debt restructuring may involve the receipt of assets from the debtor in partial or full satisfaction of the loan, or a modification of terms such as a reduction of the stated interest rate or balance of the loan, a reduction of accrued interest, an extension of the maturity date or renewal of the loan at a stated interest rate lower than the current market rate for a new loan with similar risk, or some combination of these concessions. Troubled debt restructurings can be in either accrual or nonaccrual status. Nonaccrual troubled debt restructurings are included in nonperforming loans. Accruing troubled debt restructurings are generally excluded from nonperforming loans as it is considered probable that all contractual principal and interest due under the restructured terms will be collected.

---

(Continued)

10.

---

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

---

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

In accordance with current accounting guidance, loans modified as troubled debt restructurings are, by definition, considered to be impaired loans. Impairment for these loans is measured on a loan-by-loan basis similar to other impaired loans as described above under “Allowance for Loan Losses.” Certain loans modified as troubled debt restructurings may have been previously measured for impairment under a general allowance methodology (i.e., pooling), thus at the time the loan is modified as a troubled debt restructuring the allowance will be impacted by the difference between the results of these two measurement methodologies. Loans modified as troubled debt restructurings that subsequently default are factored into the determination of the allowance in the same manner as other defaulted loans.

Allowance for Loan Losses: The allowance for loan losses (“allowance”) is a valuation allowance for probable incurred credit losses. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when we believe the uncollectability of a loan is confirmed. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance. We estimate the allowance balance required using past loan loss experience, the nature and volume of the portfolio, information about specific borrower situations and estimated collateral values, economic conditions and other factors. Allocations of the allowance may be made for specific loans, but the entire allowance is available for any loan that, in our judgment, should be charged-off.

A loan is considered to be impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable we will be unable to collect the scheduled payments of principal and interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Factors considered in determining impairment include payment status, collateral value and the probability of collecting scheduled principal and interest payments when due. Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired. We determine the significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of delay, the reasons for delay, the borrower’s prior payment record and the amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed. Impairment is measured on a loan-by-loan basis for commercial and construction loans by either the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan’s effective interest rate, the loan’s obtainable market price or the fair value of collateral if the loan is collateral dependent. Large groups of smaller balance homogeneous loans are collectively evaluated for impairment.

(Continued)

11.

---

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

---

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

**Derivatives:** Derivative financial instruments are recognized as assets or liabilities at fair value. The accounting for changes in the fair value of derivatives depends on the use of the derivatives and whether the derivatives qualify for hedge accounting. Used as part of our asset and liability management to help manage interest rate risk, our derivatives have generally consisted of interest rate swap agreements that qualified for hedge accounting. In February 2012, we entered into an interest rate swap agreement that qualifies for hedge accounting. The current outstanding interest rate swap is discussed in more detail in Note 9. We do not use derivatives for trading purposes.

Changes in the fair value of derivatives that are designated, for accounting purposes, as a hedge of the variability of cash flows to be received on various loans and are effective are reported in other comprehensive income. They are later reclassified into earnings in the same periods during which the hedged transaction affects earnings and are included in the line item in which the hedged cash flows are recorded. If hedge accounting does not apply, changes in the fair value of derivatives are recognized immediately in current earnings as interest income or expense.

If designated as a hedge, we formally document the relationship between derivatives as hedged items, as well as the risk-management objective and the strategy for undertaking hedge transactions. This documentation includes linking cash flow hedges to specific assets and liabilities on the balance sheet. If designated as a hedge, we also formally assess, both at the hedge's inception and on an ongoing basis, whether the derivative instruments that are used are highly effective in offsetting changes in cash flows of the hedged items. Ineffective hedge gains and losses are recognized immediately in current earnings as noninterest income or expense. We discontinue hedge accounting when we determine the derivative is no longer effective in offsetting changes in the cash flows of the hedged item, the derivative is settled or terminates, or treatment of the derivative as a hedge is no longer appropriate or intended.

**Goodwill and Core Deposit Intangible:** Goodwill results from business acquisitions and represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of acquired tangible assets and liabilities and identifiable intangible assets. Goodwill is assessed at least annually for impairment and any such impairment is recognized in the period identified. A more frequent assessment is performed should events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value of the goodwill may not be recoverable. We may elect to perform a qualitative assessment for the annual impairment test. If the qualitative assessment indicates it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its

carrying amount, or if we elect not to perform a qualitative assessment, then we would be required to perform a quantitative test for goodwill impairment. The quantitative test is a two-step process consisting of comparing the carrying value of the reporting unit to an estimate of its fair value. If the estimated fair value of the reporting unit is less than the carrying value, goodwill is impaired and is written down to its estimated fair value.

The core deposit intangible that arose from the Firstbank Corporation acquisition was initially measured at fair value and is being amortized into noninterest expense over a ten-year period using the sum-of-the-years-digits methodology.

---

(Continued)

12.

---

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

---

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

Adoption of New Accounting Standards: In January of 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-04, *Reclassification of Residential Real Estate Collateralized Consumer Mortgage Loans upon Foreclosure*. This ASU clarifies that an in substance repossession or foreclosure occurs, and a creditor is considered to have received physical possession of residential real estate property collateralizing a consumer mortgage loan, upon either (1) the creditor obtaining legal title to the residential real estate property upon completion of a foreclosure or (2) the borrower conveying all interest in the residential real estate property to the creditor to satisfy that loan through completion of a deed in lieu of foreclosure or through a similar legal agreement. The ASU also requires additional related interim and annual disclosures. The guidance in this ASU is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2014. The adoption of this ASU did not have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*. This ASU establishes a comprehensive revenue recognition standard for virtually all industries under U.S. GAAP, including those that previously followed industry-specific guidance such as the real estate, construction and software industries. The revenue standard's core principle is built on the contract between a vendor and a customer for the provision of goods and services. It attempts to depict the exchange of rights and obligations between the parties in the pattern of revenue recognition based on the consideration to which the vendor is entitled. To accomplish this objective, the standard requires five basic steps: i) identify the contract with the customer, (ii) identify the performance obligations in the contract, (iii) determine the transaction price, (iv) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract, and (v) recognize revenue when (or as) the entity satisfies a performance obligation. This ASU is effective for annual and interim periods beginning after December 15, 2016 with three transition methods available – full retrospective, retrospective and cumulative effect approach. In August 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-14, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers – Deferral of Effective Date*, which delays the implementation of this guidance by one year. Adoption of this ASU is not expected to have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

In June 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-11, *Repurchase-to-Maturity Transactions, Repurchase Financings, and Disclosures*. This ASU requires two accounting changes. First, repurchase-to-maturity transactions will be accounted for as secured borrowing transactions on the balance sheet, rather than sales. Second, for repurchase financing arrangements, the ASU requires separate accounting for a transfer of a financial asset executed contemporaneously with (or in contemplation of) a repurchase agreement with the same counterparty, which also will generally result in secured borrowing accounting for the repurchase agreement. The ASU also introduces new disclosures to increase

transparency about the types of collateral pledged for repurchase agreements, securities lending transactions, and repurchase-to-maturity transactions that are accounted for as secured borrowings. The ASU also requires a transferor to disclose information about transactions accounted for as a sale in which the transferor retains substantially all of the exposure to the economic return on the transferred financial assets through an agreement with the transferee. The accounting changes and disclosure for certain transactions accounted for as a sale are effective for the first interim or annual period beginning after December 15, 2014. The disclosure for transactions accounted for as secured borrowings is required for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2014, and for interim periods beginning after March 15, 2015. The required disclosures under the ASU are included in Note 6. Adoption of this ASU did not have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

---

(Continued)

13.

---

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-14, *Classification of Certain Government-Guaranteed Mortgage Loans Upon Foreclosure*. This ASU requires that certain government-guaranteed mortgage loans, including those guaranteed by the Federal Housing Administration, be derecognized and that a separate other receivable be recognized upon foreclosure if certain conditions are met. Upon foreclosure on the loans that meet these criteria, a separate receivable should be recorded based on the amount of the loan balance expected to be recovered from the guarantor. The amendments are effective for annual periods, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2014. The adoption of this ASU did not have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations.

**2. SECURITIES**

The amortized cost and fair value of available for sale securities and the related pre-tax gross unrealized gains and losses recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income are as follows:

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
<u>September 30, 2015</u>				
U.S. Government agency debt obligations	\$ 159,411,000	\$ 1,939,000	\$(1,957,000)	\$ 159,393,000
Mortgage-backed securities	72,211,000	904,000	(151,000 )	72,964,000
Municipal general obligation bonds	122,724,000	1,118,000	(234,000 )	123,608,000
Municipal revenue bonds	9,163,000	88,000	(1,000 )	9,250,000
Other investments	1,947,000	11,000	0	1,958,000
	\$ 365,456,000	\$ 4,060,000	\$(2,343,000)	\$ 367,173,000

December 31, 2014

Edgar Filing: MERCANTILE BANK CORP - Form 10-Q

U.S. Government agency debt obligations	\$ 194,894,000	\$ 1,612,000	\$(3,038,000)	\$ 193,468,000
Mortgage-backed securities	92,656,000	1,123,000	(218,000 )	93,561,000
Municipal general obligation bonds	132,347,000	1,042,000	(307,000 )	133,082,000
Municipal revenue bonds	10,769,000	117,000	(13,000 )	10,873,000
Other investments	1,925,000	3,000	0	1,928,000
	\$ 432,591,000	\$ 3,897,000	\$(3,576,000)	\$ 432,912,000

---

(Continued)

14.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**2. SECURITIES** (Continued)

Securities with unrealized losses at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous loss position, are as follows:

	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total	Unrealized
	Fair	Unrealized	Fair	Unrealized	Fair	Unrealized
	Value	Loss	Value	Loss	Value	Loss
<u>September 30, 2015</u>						
U.S. Government agency debt obligations	\$0	\$0	\$70,896,000	\$1,957,000	\$70,896,000	\$1,957,000
Mortgage-backed securities	6,831,000	37,000	19,943,000	114,000	26,774,000	151,000
Municipal general obligation bonds	10,994,000	90,000	5,064,000	144,000	16,058,000	234,000
Municipal revenue bonds	0	0	807,000	1,000	807,000	1,000
Other investments	0	0	0	0	0	0
	\$17,825,000	\$127,000	\$96,710,000	\$2,216,000	\$114,535,000	\$2,343,000
	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total	Unrealized
	Fair	Unrealized	Fair	Unrealized	Fair	Unrealized
	Value	Loss	Value	Loss	Value	Loss
<u>December 31, 2014</u>						
U.S. Government agency debt obligations	\$81,891,000	\$202,000	\$74,120,000	\$2,836,000	\$156,011,000	\$3,038,000
Mortgage-backed securities	49,940,000	218,000	0	0	49,940,000	218,000
Municipal general obligation bonds	54,104,000	307,000	0	0	54,104,000	307,000
Municipal revenue bonds	4,644,000	13,000	0	0	4,644,000	13,000
Other investments	0	0	0	0	0	0
	\$190,579,000	\$740,000	\$74,120,000	\$2,836,000	\$264,699,000	\$3,576,000

We evaluate securities for other-than-temporary impairment at least on a quarterly basis. Consideration is given to the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, and the intent and ability we have to retain our investment in the issuer for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery in fair value.

---

(Continued)

15.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**2. SECURITIES** (Continued)

For those debt securities whose fair value is less than their amortized cost basis, we also consider our intent to sell the security, whether it is more likely than not that we will be required to sell the security before recovery and if we do not expect to recover the entire amortized cost basis of the security. In analyzing an issuer's financial condition, we may consider whether the securities are issued by the federal government or its agencies, whether downgrades by bond rating agencies have occurred and the results of reviews of the issuer's financial condition.

At September 30, 2015, 161 debt securities with fair values totaling \$114.5 million have unrealized losses aggregating \$2.3 million. After we considered whether the securities were issued by the federal government or its agencies and whether downgrades by bond rating agencies had occurred, we determined that unrealized losses were due to changing interest rate environments. As we do not intend to sell our debt securities before recovery of their cost basis and we believe it is more likely than not that we will not be required to sell our debt securities before recovery of the cost basis, no unrealized losses are deemed to be other-than-temporary.

The amortized cost and fair value of debt securities at September 30, 2015, by maturity, are shown in the following table. The contractual maturity is utilized for U.S. Government agency debt obligations and municipal bonds. Expected maturities may differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. Securities not due at a single maturity date, primarily mortgage-backed securities, are shown separately. Weighted average yields are also reflected, with yields for municipal securities shown at their tax equivalent yield.

	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Due in 2015	2.12	% \$8,409,000	\$8,471,000
Due in 2016 through 2020	1.42	150,774,000	151,190,000
Due in 2021 through 2025	3.09	57,813,000	58,359,000

Edgar Filing: MERCANTILE BANK CORP - Form 10-Q

Due in 2026 and beyond	3.56	74,302,000	74,231,000
Mortgage-backed securities	1.69	72,211,000	72,964,000
Other investments	2.53	1,947,000	1,958,000
	2.21	% \$365,456,000	\$367,173,000

Securities issued by the State of Michigan and all its political subdivisions had a combined amortized cost of \$106.0 million and \$113.1 million at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively, with estimated market values of \$106.9 million and \$113.9 million, respectively. Securities issued by all other states and their political subdivisions had a combined amortized cost of \$25.9 million and \$30.0 million at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively, with estimated market values of \$26.0 million and \$30.0 million, respectively. Total securities of any other specific issuer, other than the U.S. Government and its agencies and the State of Michigan and all its political subdivisions, did not exceed 10% of shareholders' equity.

---

(Continued)

16.

---

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

---

**2. SECURITIES** (Continued)

The carrying value of U.S. Government agency debt obligations and mortgage-backed securities that are pledged to secure repurchase agreements was \$158.1 million and \$167.6 million at September 30, 2015, and December 31, 2014, respectively. Investments in Federal Home Loan Bank stock are restricted and may only be resold or redeemed by the issuer.

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES**

Loans originated for investment are stated at their principal amount outstanding adjusted for partial charge-offs, the allowance, and net deferred loan fees and costs. Interest income on loans is accrued over the term of the loans primarily using the simple interest method based on the principal balance outstanding. Interest is not accrued on loans where collectability is uncertain. Accrued interest is presented separately in the consolidated balance sheet. Loan origination fees and certain direct costs incurred to extend credit are deferred and amortized over the term of the loan or loan commitment period as an adjustment to the related loan yield.

Acquired loans are those purchased in the Firstbank merger. These loans were recorded at estimated fair value at the Merger Date with no carryover of the related allowance. The acquired loans were segregated between those considered to be performing (“acquired non-impaired loans”) and those with evidence of credit deterioration (“acquired impaired loans”). Acquired loans are considered impaired if there is evidence of credit deterioration and if it is probable, at acquisition, all contractually required payments will not be collected. Acquired loans restructured after acquisition are not considered or reported as troubled debt restructurings if the loans evidenced credit deterioration as of the Merger Date and are accounted for in pools.

The fair value estimates for acquired loans are based on expected prepayments and the amount and timing of discounted expected principal, interest and other cash flows. Credit discounts representing the principal losses expected over the life of the loan are also a component of the initial fair value. In determining the Merger Date fair value of acquired impaired loans, and in subsequent accounting, we have generally aggregated acquired commercial and consumer loans into pools of loans with common risk characteristics.

The difference between the fair value of an acquired non-impaired loan and contractual amounts due at the Merger Date is accreted into income over the estimated life of the loan. Contractually required payments represent the total undiscounted amount of all uncollected principal and interest payments. Acquired non-impaired loans are placed on nonaccrual status and reported as nonperforming or past due using the same criteria applied to the originated loan portfolio.

The excess of an acquired impaired loan's undiscounted contractually required payments over the amount of its undiscounted cash flows expected to be collected is referred to as the non-accretable difference. The non-accretable difference, which is neither accreted into income nor recorded on the consolidated balance sheet, reflects estimated future credit losses and uncollectible contractual interest expected to be incurred over the life of the acquired impaired loan. The excess cash flows expected to be collected over the carrying amount of the acquired loan is referred to as the accretable yield.

---

(Continued)

17.

---

Table Of Contents

MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

---

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

This amount is accreted into interest income over the remaining life of the acquired loans or pools using the level yield method. The accretable yield is affected by changes in interest rate indices for variable rate loans, changes in prepayment speed assumptions and changes in expected principal and interest payments over the estimated lives of the acquired impaired loans.

We evaluate quarterly the remaining contractual required payments receivable and estimate cash flows expected to be collected over the lives of the impaired loans. Contractually required payments receivable may increase or decrease for a variety of reasons, for example, when the contractual terms of the loan agreement are modified, when interest rates on variable rate loans change, or when principal and/or interest payments are received. Cash flows expected to be collected on acquired impaired loans are estimated by incorporating several key assumptions similar to the initial estimate of fair value. These key assumptions include probability of default, loss given default, and the amount of actual prepayments after the Merger Date. Prepayments affect the estimated lives of loans and could change the amount of interest income, and possibly principal, expected to be collected. In re-forecasting future estimated cash flows, credit loss expectations are adjusted as necessary. The adjustments are based, in part, on actual loss severities recognized for each loan type, as well as changes in the probability of default. For periods in which estimated cash flows are not re-forecasted, the prior reporting period's estimated cash flows are adjusted to reflect the actual cash received and credit events that transpired during the current reporting period.

Increases in expected cash flows of acquired impaired loans subsequent to the Merger Date are recognized prospectively through adjustments of the yield on the loans or pools over their remaining lives, while decreases in expected cash flows are recognized as impairment through a provision for loan losses and an increase in the allowance.

---

(Continued)

18.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

Our total loans at September 30, 2015 were \$2.22 billion compared to \$2.09 billion at December 31, 2014, an increase of \$128 million, or 6.1%. The components of our loan portfolio disaggregated by class of loan within the loan portfolio segments at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, and the percentage change in loans from the end of 2014 to the end of the third quarter of 2015, are as follows:

	September 30, 2015		December 31, 2014		Percent Increase (Decrease)	
	Balance	%	Balance	%		
<b><u>Originated loans</u></b>						
Commercial:						
Commercial and industrial	\$522,346,000	34.4 %	\$384,570,000	30.8 %	35.8	%
Vacant land, land development, and residential construction	30,958,000	2.0	29,826,000	2.4	3.8	
Real estate – owner occupied	306,539,000	20.2	291,758,000	23.4	5.1	
Real estate – non-owner occupied	505,715,000	33.3	410,977,000	33.0	23.1	
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	36,762,000	2.4	36,058,000	2.9	2.0	
Total commercial	1,402,320,000	92.3	1,153,189,000	92.5	21.6	
Retail:						
Home equity and other	65,671,000	4.3	50,059,000	4.0	31.2	
1-4 family mortgages	51,719,000	3.4	42,868,000	3.5	20.6	
Total retail	117,390,000	7.7	92,927,000	7.5	26.3	
Total originated loans	\$1,519,710,000	100.0%	\$1,246,116,000	100.0%	22.0	%

(Continued)

19.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

	September 30, 2015		December 31, 2014		Percent
	Balance	%	<u>Balance</u>	%	Increase (Decrease)
<b><u>Acquired loans</u></b>					
Commercial:					
Commercial and industrial	\$ 120,772,000	17.3 %	\$ 166,037,000	19.7	(27.3% )
Vacant land, land development, and residential construction	16,776,000	2.4	22,148,000	2.6	(24.3 )
Real estate – owner occupied	120,477,000	17.3	138,630,000	16.4	(13.1 )
Real estate – non-owner occupied	130,512,000	18.7	148,597,000	17.6	(12.2 )
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	86,763,000	12.4	86,702,000	10.3	0.1
Total commercial	475,300,000	68.1	562,114,000	66.6	(15.4 )
Retail:					
Home equity and other	81,094,000	11.6	109,219,000	13.0	(25.8 )
1-4 family mortgages	141,284,000	20.3	171,828,000	20.4	(17.8 )
Total retail	222,378,000	31.9	281,047,000	33.4	(20.9 )
Total acquired loans	\$ 697,678,000	100.0%	\$ 843,161,000	100.0%	(17.3% )

	September 30, 2015		December 31, 2014		Percent
	Balance	%	Balance	%	Increase (Decrease)
<b><u>Total loans</u></b>					
Commercial:					
Commercial and industrial	\$ 643,118,000	29.0 %	\$ 550,607,000	26.4 %	16.8 %
Vacant land, land development, and residential construction	47,734,000	2.2	51,974,000	2.5	(8.2 )
Real estate – owner occupied	427,016,000	19.3	430,388,000	20.5	(0.8 )
Real estate – non-owner occupied	636,227,000	28.6	559,574,000	26.8	13.7
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	123,525,000	5.6	122,760,000	5.9	0.6
Total commercial	1,877,620,000	84.7	1,715,303,000	82.1	9.5

Edgar Filing: MERCANTILE BANK CORP - Form 10-Q

Retail:						
Home equity and other	146,765,000	6.6	159,278,000	7.6	(7.9	)
1-4 family mortgages	193,003,000	8.7	214,696,000	10.3	(10.1	)
Total retail	339,768,000	15.3	373,974,000	17.9	(9.1	)
Total loans	\$2,217,388,000	100.0%	\$2,089,277,000	100.0%	6.1	%

---

(Continued)

20.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

The total outstanding balance and carrying value of acquired impaired loans was \$25.9 million and \$14.1 million, respectively, as of September 30, 2015. Changes in the accretable yield for acquired impaired loans for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 were as follows:

Balance at June 30, 2015	\$5,115,000
Additions	16,000
Accretion income	(653,000 )
Net reclassification from nonaccretable to accretable	1,520,000
Reductions (1)	(548,000 )
Ending balance	\$5,450,000
Balance at December 31, 2014	\$4,998,000
Additions	16,000
Accretion income	(1,980,000)
Net reclassification from nonaccretable to accretable	3,166,000
Reductions (1)	(750,000 )
Ending balance	\$5,450,000

(1) Reductions primarily reflect the result of exit events, including loan payoffs and charge-offs.

Nonperforming originated loans as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 were as follows:

Edgar Filing: MERCANTILE BANK CORP - Form 10-Q

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Loans past due 90 days or more still accruing interest	\$0	\$0
Nonaccrual loans	2,590,000	26,048,000
Total nonperforming originated loans	\$2,590,000	\$26,048,000

Nonperforming acquired loans as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 were as follows:

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Loans past due 90 days or more still accruing interest	\$ 43,000	\$26,000
Nonaccrual loans	5,581,000	3,358,000
Total nonperforming acquired loans	\$ 5,624,000	\$3,384,000

---

(Continued)

21.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

The recorded principal balance of nonperforming loans was as follows:

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Commercial:		
Commercial and industrial	\$671,000	\$6,478,000
Vacant land, land development, and residential construction	170,000	209,000
Real estate – owner occupied	2,262,000	18,062,000
Real estate – non-owner occupied	79,000	378,000
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	2,465,000	106,000
Total commercial	5,647,000	25,233,000
Retail:		
Home equity and other	749,000	800,000
1-4 family mortgages	1,818,000	3,399,000
Total retail	2,567,000	4,199,000
Total nonperforming loans	\$8,214,000	\$29,432,000

Acquired impaired loans are not reported as nonperforming loans based on acquired impaired loan accounting. Acquired non-impaired loans are placed on nonaccrual status and reported as nonperforming or past due using the same criteria applied to the originated loan portfolio.

(Continued)

22.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

An age analysis of past due loans is as follows as of September 30, 2015:

	30 – 59 Days Past Due	60 – 89 Days Past Due	Greater Than 89 Days Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans	Recorded Balance > 89 Days and Accruing
<b><u>Originated loans</u></b>							
Commercial:							
Commercial and industrial	\$28,000	\$0	\$0	\$28,000	\$522,318,000	\$522,346,000	\$ 0
Vacant land, land development, and residential construction	0	0	0	0	30,958,000	30,958,000	0
Real estate – owner occupied	0	0	13,000	13,000	306,526,000	306,539,000	0
Real estate – non-owner occupied	0	0	0	0	505,715,000	505,715,000	0
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	0	0	0	0	36,762,000	36,762,000	0
Total commercial	28,000	0	13,000	41,000	1,402,279,000	1,402,320,000	0
Retail:							
Home equity and other	33,000	21,000	4,000	58,000	65,613,000	65,671,000	0
1-4 family mortgages	115,000	67,000	296,000	478,000	51,241,000	51,719,000	0
Total retail	148,000	88,000	300,000	536,000	116,854,000	117,390,000	0
Total past due loans	\$176,000	\$88,000	\$313,000	\$577,000	\$1,519,133,000	\$1,519,710,000	\$ 0

(Continued)

23.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

	30 – 59	60 – 89	Greater Than 89	Total	Current	Total	Recorded Balance > 89 Days and Accruing
	Days	Days	Days	Past Due		Loans	
	Past Due	Past Due	Past Due	Past Due			
<b><u>Acquired loans</u></b>							
Commercial:							
Commercial and industrial	\$385,000	\$0	\$574,000	\$959,000	\$119,813,000	\$120,772,000	\$ 0
Vacant land, land development, and residential construction	257,000	0	0	257,000	16,519,000	16,776,000	0
Real estate – owner occupied	1,078,000	93,000	802,000	1,973,000	118,504,000	120,477,000	0
Real estate – non-owner occupied	0	0	80,000	80,000	130,432,000	130,512,000	0
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	173,000	0	2,447,000	2,620,000	84,143,000	86,763,000	0
Total commercial	1,893,000	93,000	3,903,000	5,889,000	469,411,000	475,300,000	0
Retail:							
Home equity and other	340,000	68,000	135,000	543,000	80,551,000	81,094,000	0
1-4 family mortgages	548,000	323,000	494,000	1,365,000	139,919,000	141,284,000	0
Total retail	888,000	391,000	629,000	1,908,000	220,470,000	222,378,000	0
Total past due loans	\$2,781,000	\$484,000	\$4,532,000	\$7,797,000	\$689,881,000	\$697,678,000	\$ 0

(Continued)

24.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

An age analysis of past due loans is as follows as of December 31, 2014:

	30 – 59	60 – 89	Greater Than 89	Total	Current	Total	Recorded Balance > 89 Days and Accruing
	Days Past Due	Days Past Due	Days Past Due	Past Due		Loans	
<b><u>Originated loans</u></b>							
Commercial:							
Commercial and industrial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$384,570,000	\$384,570,000	\$ 0
Vacant land, land development, and residential construction	0	0	0	0	29,826,000	29,826,000	0
Real estate – owner occupied	0	0	120,000	120,000	291,638,000	291,758,000	0
Real estate – non-owner occupied	0	0	116,000	116,000	410,861,000	410,977,000	0
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	0	0	0	0	36,058,000	36,058,000	0
Total commercial	0	0	236,000	236,000	1,152,953,000	1,153,189,000	0
Retail:							
Home equity and other	38,000	3,000	0	41,000	50,018,000	50,059,000	0
1-4 family mortgages	0	0	366,000	366,000	42,502,000	42,868,000	0
Total retail	38,000	3,000	366,000	407,000	92,520,000	92,927,000	0
Total past due loans	\$38,000	\$ 3,000	\$602,000	\$643,000	\$1,245,473,000	\$1,246,116,000	\$ 0

(Continued)

25.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

	30 – 59	60 – 89	Greater Than 89	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans	Recorded Balance > 89 Days and Accruing
	Days Past Due	Days Past Due	Days Past Due				
<b><u>Acquired Loans</u></b>							
Commercial:							
Commercial and industrial	\$29,000	\$32,000	\$76,000	\$137,000	\$165,900,000	\$166,037,000	\$0
Vacant land, land development, and residential construction	0	38,000	0	38,000	22,110,000	22,148,000	0
Real estate – owner occupied	51,000	425,000	1,625,000	2,101,000	136,529,000	138,630,000	0
Real estate – non-owner occupied	68,000	598,000	395,000	1,061,000	147,536,000	148,597,000	0
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	37,000	0	105,000	142,000	86,560,000	86,702,000	0
Total commercial	185,000	1,093,000	2,201,000	3,479,000	558,635,000	562,114,000	0
Retail:							
Home equity and other	445,000	419,000	155,000	1,019,000	108,200,000	109,219,000	26,000
1-4 family mortgages	1,087,000	408,000	750,000	2,245,000	169,583,000	171,828,000	0
Total retail	1,532,000	827,000	905,000	3,264,000	277,783,000	281,047,000	26,000
Total past due loans	\$1,717,000	\$1,920,000	\$3,106,000	\$6,743,000	\$836,418,000	\$843,161,000	\$26,000

(Continued)

26.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

Impaired originated loans as of September 30, 2015, and average originated impaired loans for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015, were as follows:

	Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance	Recorded Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Third Quarter Average Recorded Principal Balance	Year-To-Date Average Recorded Principal Balance
<u>With no related allowance recorded</u>					
Commercial:					
Commercial and industrial	\$1,893,000	\$1,893,000		\$1,908,000	\$1,729,000
Vacant land, land development and residential construction	0	0		0	101,000
Real estate – owner occupied	302,000	103,000		113,000	1,032,000
Real estate – non-owner occupied	5,733,000	5,733,000		5,747,000	3,204,000
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	0	0		151,000	232,000
Total commercial	7,928,000	7,729,000		7,919,000	6,298,000
Retail:					
Home equity and other	214,000	190,000		189,000	190,000
1-4 family mortgages	1,399,000	735,000		716,000	631,000
Total retail	1,613,000	925,000		905,000	821,000
Total with no related allowance recorded	\$9,541,000	\$8,654,000		\$8,824,000	\$7,119,000

(Continued)

27.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

	Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance	Recorded Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Third Quarter Average Recorded Principal Balance	Year-To-Date Average Recorded Principal Balance
<u>With an allowance recorded</u>					
Commercial:					
Commercial and industrial	\$470,000	\$413,000	\$271,000	\$436,000	\$2,816,000
Vacant land, land development and residential construction	2,275,000	1,920,000	308,000	2,052,000	2,026,000
Real estate – owner occupied	6,377,000	1,824,000	494,000	1,959,000	8,778,000
Real estate – non-owner occupied	4,897,000	4,897,000	194,000	4,926,000	10,371,000
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	1,052,000	1,052,000	390,000	1,179,000	1,266,000
Total commercial	15,071,000	10,106,000	1,657,000	10,552,000	25,257,000
Retail:					
Home equity and other	195,000	157,000	121,000	160,000	143,000
1-4 family mortgages	165,000	130,000	49,000	131,000	641,000
Total retail	360,000	287,000	170,000	291,000	784,000
Total with an allowance recorded	\$15,431,000	\$10,393,000	\$1,827,000	\$10,843,000	\$26,041,000
Total impaired loans:					
Commercial	\$22,999,000	\$17,835,000	\$1,657,000	\$18,471,000	\$31,555,000
Retail	1,973,000	1,212,000	170,000	1,196,000	1,605,000
Total impaired loans	\$24,972,000	\$19,047,000	\$1,827,000	\$19,667,000	\$33,160,000

(Continued)

28.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

Impaired acquired loans as of September 30, 2015, and average impaired acquired loans for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015, were as follows:

	Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance	Recorded Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Third Quarter Average Recorded Principal Balance	Year-To-Date Average Recorded Principal Balance
<u>With no related allowance recorded</u>					
Commercial:					
Commercial and industrial	\$1,697,000	\$1,661,000		\$1,596,000	\$1,432,000
Vacant land, land development and residential construction	0	0		0	0
Real estate – owner occupied	1,593,000	1,391,000		910,000	535,000
Real estate – non-owner occupied	768,000	768,000		656,000	487,000
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	2,680,000	2,637,000		2,885,000	1,799,000
Total commercial	6,738,000	6,457,000		6,047,000	4,253,000
Retail:					
Home equity and other	449,000	322,000		342,000	423,000
1-4 family mortgages	1,030,000	953,000		816,000	855,000
Total retail	1,479,000	1,275,000		1,158,000	1,278,000
Total with no related allowance recorded	\$8,217,000	\$7,732,000		\$7,205,000	\$5,531,000

(Continued)

29.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

	Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance	Recorded Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Third Quarter Average Recorded Principal Balance	Year-To-Date Average Recorded Principal Balance
<u>With an allowance recorded</u>					
Commercial:					
Commercial and industrial	\$66,000	\$66,000	\$ 5,000	\$73,000	\$ 65,000
Vacant land, land development and residential construction	0	0	0	0	0
Real estate – owner occupied	51,000	51,000	4,000	568,000	1,016,000
Real estate – non-owner occupied	0	0	0	0	0
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	25,000	25,000	0	26,000	20,000
Total commercial	142,000	142,000	9,000	667,000	1,101,000
Retail:					
Home equity and other	0	0	0	0	0
1-4 family mortgages	176,000	176,000	6,000	229,000	185,000
Total retail	176,000	176,000	6,000	229,000	185,000
Total with an allowance recorded	\$318,000	\$318,000	\$ 15,000	\$896,000	\$ 1,286,000
Total impaired loans:					
Commercial	\$6,880,000	\$6,599,000	\$ 9,000	\$6,714,000	\$ 5,354,000
Retail	1,655,000	1,451,000	6,000	1,387,000	1,463,000
Total impaired loans	\$8,535,000	\$8,050,000	\$ 15,000	\$8,101,000	\$ 6,817,000

(Continued)

30.

---

Table Of Contents

## MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION

## NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

**3. LOANS AND ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES** (Continued)

Impaired originated loans as of December 31, 2014, and average impaired originated loans for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, were as follows:

	Unpaid Contractual Principal Balance	Recorded Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Third Quarter Average Recorded Principal Balance	Year-To-Date Average Recorded Principal Balance
<u>With no related allowance recorded</u>					
Commercial:					
Commercial and industrial	\$ 1,170,000	\$ 1,164,000		\$ 691,000	\$ 525,000
Vacant land, land development and residential construction	540,000	209,000		111,000	232,000
Real estate – owner occupied	3,609,000	1,901,000		9,227,000	4,981,000
Real estate – non-owner occupied	1,210,000	1,210,000		576,000	911,000
Real estate – multi-family and residential rental	375,000	317,000		0	0
Total commercial	6,904,000	4,801,000		10,605,000	6,649,000
Retail:					
Home equity and other	207,000	191,000		642,000	598,000
1-4 family mortgages	1,144,000	560,000		553,000	591,000
Total retail	1,351,000	751,000		1,195,000	1,189,000
Total with no related allowance recorded					