AMERICAN REALTY INVESTORS INC Form 8-K July 27, 2012

**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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 9, 2012

#### AMERICAN REALTY INVESTORS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Nevada 001-15663 75-2847135 (State or other (Commission (I.R.S. Employer jurisdiction of incorporation) File No.) Identification No.)

1603 LBJ Freeway, Suite 800
Dallas, Texas
(Address of principal executive offices)
75234
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 469-522-4200

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#### Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.07 - Submission of Matters to the Vote of Security Holders

On May 9, 2012, the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of American Realty Investors, Inc. ("ARL" or the "Issuer" or the "Registrant") was held following a solicitation of proxies pursuant to a Notice of Annual Meeting and related Proxy Statement dated April 6, 2012 distributed in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. On the record date of April 4, 2012, a total of 11,525,389 shares of Common Stock were outstanding with each share entitled to cast one vote.

At the Annual Meeting which involved the election of directors, the following named persons received the number of votes cast for, against or withheld, as well as the number of abstention and broker non-votes:

Name	No. of Votes For	% For	No. of Votes Against	No. of Votes Abstained	Broker Non- Votes
Henry A. Butler	8,092,154	70.21%	4,856	-	2,994,896
Sharon Hunt	8,092,154	70.21%	4,856	-	2,994,896
Robert A. Jakuszewski	8,085,005	70.15%	12,005	-	2,994,896
Ted R. Munselle	8,092,154	70.21%	4,856	-	2,994,896

All of the nominees named above, each of which is currently a director of the Registrant, were elected at such Annual Meeting.

The only other matter presented at the Annual Meeting was the ratification of the appointment of Farmer, Fuqua & Huff, P.C. as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Registrant for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012 and any interim period. A total of 11,082,988 votes were cast FOR, 3,761 votes were cast AGAINST and 5,157 votes ABSTAINED from voting with respect to such proposal. There were no broker non-votes.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors was held on the following day, May 9, 2012. At such meeting, Henry A. Butler was re-elected Chairman of the Board.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly-caused this Current Report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly-authorized.

Dated: May 12, 2012 AMERICAN REALTY INVESTORS, INC.

By: /s/ Gene S. Bertcher Gene S. Bertcher, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer