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): May 2, 2023

MARATHON DIGITAL HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

| Nevada | 001-36555 | 01-0949984 | |
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| (State or other jurisdiction | (Commission | (IRS Employer | |
| of incorporation) | File Number) | Identification No.) | |
| 1180 North Town Center Drive, Suite 100 | | | |
| Las Vegas, NV | | 89144 | |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | | (Zip Code) | |
| Registrant's | s telephone number, including area code: (800 |) 804-1690 | |
| (Former | name or former address, if changed since las | t report) | |
| Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended | d to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation | on of the registrant under any of the following provisions: | |
| ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Secu | urities Act (17 CFR 230.425) | | |
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| ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(| (b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d | -2(b)) | |
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| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging ground the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter) | | ecurities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of | |
| Emerging growth company \square | | | |
| If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the re accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Ex | | ransition period for complying with any new or revised financial | |
| Securi | ities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of th | e Act: | |
| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered | |
| Common Stock | MARA | The Nasdaq Capital Market | |
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| Item 5.02 Compensation of an Executive Officer | | | |
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On May 2, 2023, Marathon Digital Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") granted 500,000 restricted stock units of the Company ("RSUs") to Fred Thiel, its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. The RSUs shall vest over four (4) years with 125,000 RSUs vesting at the end of the first year after the date of grant, with the balance of 375,000 RSUs vesting in equal amounts of 31,250 RSUs on each three month anniversary of the end of the first year after the date of grant, for 12 consecutive three month periods. Additionally, Mr. Thiel was granted an increase in his base salary of \$50,000 per annum.

Item 9.01 Exhibits

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Form 8-K and other reports filed by Registrant from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission (collectively, the "Filings") contain or may contain forward-looking statements and information that are based upon beliefs of, and information currently available to, Registrant's management as well as estimates and assumptions made by Registrant's management. When used in the Filings the words "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "future," "intend," "plan" or the negative of these terms and similar expressions as they relate to Registrant or Registrant's management identify forward-looking statements. Such statements reflect the current view of Registrant with respect to future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other factors relating to Registrant's industry, Registrant's operations and results of operations and any businesses that may be acquired by Registrant. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should the underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may differ significantly from those anticipated, believed, estimated, expected, intended or planned.

Although Registrant believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, Registrant cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity,

performance or achievements. Except as required by applicable law, including the securities laws of the United States, Registrant does not intend to update any of the forward-looking statements to conform these statements to actual results.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 8, 2023

MARATHON DIGITAL HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Jolie Kahn
Name: Jolie Kahn
Title: General Counsel