

**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

January 18, 2018 (January 18, 2018)

Date of Report (date of Earliest Event Reported)

NEWTEK BUSINESS SERVICES CORP.

(Exact Name of Company as Specified in its Charter)

MARYLAND

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or
Organization)

814-01035

(Commission File No.)

46-3755188

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1981 Marcus Avenue, Suite 130, Lake Success, NY 11042

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

(212) 356-9500

(Company's telephone number, including area code)

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Forward-Looking Statements

Statements in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including the exhibits), including statements regarding Newtek Business Services Corp.'s ("Newtek" or the "Company") beliefs, expectations, intentions or strategies for the future, may be forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by the forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, intensified competition, operating problems and their impact on revenues and profit margins, anticipated future business strategies and financial performance, anticipated future number of customers, business prospects, legislative developments and similar matters. Risk factors, cautionary statements and other conditions which could cause Newtek's actual results to differ from management's current expectations are contained in Newtek's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Newtek undertakes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances that may arise after the date of this filing.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 18, 2018 the Company issued a press release entitled "Newtek Declares First Quarter 2018 Dividend of \$0.40 per Share; Increases 2018 Annual Dividend Guidance to \$1.70 per share" (the "Press Release"). A copy of the Press Release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The information in this report shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release, dated January 18, 2018, entitled "Newtek Declares First Quarter 2018 Dividend of \$0.40 per Share; Increases 2018 Annual Dividend Guidance to \$1.70 per share."

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Newtek Declares First Quarter 2018 Dividend of \$0.40 per Share Increases 2018 Annual Dividend Guidance to \$1.70 per share

Lake Success, N.Y. - January 18, 2018 - Newtek Business Services Corp. ("Newtek" or the "Company") (NASDAQ: NEWT), an internally managed business development company ("BDC"), today announced that its Board of Directors declared a first quarter 2018 cash dividend of \$0.40¹ per share, which represents an approximate 11% increase over the first quarter 2017 dividend of \$0.36 per share. The first quarter 2018 dividend is payable on March 30, 2018 to shareholders of record as of March 20, 2018. The Company also announced that it has increased its 2018 annual cash dividend forecast to \$1.70¹ per share, which would represent a 3.7% increase over the Company's 2017 annual dividend of \$1.64 per share.

Barry Sloane, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer commented, "We are pleased to declare our first quarter 2018 dividend and announce that we have increased our 2018 annual dividend forecast to \$1.70 per share, which illustrates our confidence in and near-term visibility into the internal dynamics of our business model and strategy, which are on target as we enter 2018. In particular, we have implemented personnel changes, obtained new strategic alliances and continue to realize a pipeline of opportunities, all of which give us the confidence to increase our 2018 annual dividend forecast to \$1.70 per share. We look forward to reporting our 2017 financial results in March, and discussing our anticipated goals and performance metrics for 2018."

Note regarding Dividend Payments: The Company's Board of Directors expects to maintain a dividend policy with the objective of making quarterly distributions in an amount that approximates 90 - 100% of the Company's annual taxable income. The determination of the tax attributes of the Company's distributions is made annually as of the end of the Company's fiscal year based upon its taxable income for the full year and distributions paid for the full year.

¹Amount and timing of dividends, if any, remain subject to the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors.

About Newtek Business Services Corp.

[Newtek Business Services Corp.](#), Your Business Solutions Company[®], is an internally managed BDC, which along with its controlled portfolio companies, provides a wide range of business services and financial products under the Newtek[®] brand to the small- and medium-sized business (“SMB”) market. Since 1999, Newtek has provided state-of-the-art, cost-efficient products and services and efficient business strategies to SMB accounts across all 50 states to help them grow their sales, control their expenses and reduce their risk.

Newtek’s and its portfolio companies’ products and services include: [Business Lending](#), [SBA Lending Solutions](#), [Electronic Payment Processing](#), [Technology Solutions \(Cloud Computing, Data Backup, Storage and Retrieval, IT Consulting\)](#), [eCommerce](#), [Accounts Receivable Financing & Inventory Financing](#), [The Secure Gateway](#), [The Newtek Advantage[™]](#), [Insurance Solutions](#), [Web Services](#), and [Payroll and Benefits Solutions](#).

Note Regarding Forward Looking Statements

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements. Words such as “believes,” “intends,” “expects,” “projects,” “anticipates,” “forecasts,” “goal” and “future” or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by the forward-looking statements. Such risks and uncertainties include, among others, intensified competition, operating problems and their impact on revenues and profit margins, anticipated future business strategies and financial performance, anticipated future number of customers, business prospects, legislative developments and similar matters. Risk factors, cautionary statements and other conditions, which could cause Newtek’s actual results to differ from management’s current expectations, are contained in Newtek’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and available through <http://www.sec.gov/>. Newtek cautions you that forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and that actual results or developments may differ materially from those projected or implied in these statements.

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