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**ITEM 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

BAR HARBOR, Maine (July 9, 2012) – Bar Harbor Bankshares (the “Company”) (NYSE MKT: BHB) the parent company of Bar Harbor Bank & Trust, today announced that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the “FDIC”) has approved the Company’s application to acquire certain assets and assume certain liabilities of Border Trust Company. The Company previously received regulatory approval from the Maine Bureau of Financial Institutions (the “Maine BFI”) for the transaction. A copy of the Company’s press release is furnished with this current report as an exhibit.

**ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits No. Description

99.1 Copy of Company’s press release dated July 9, 2012 is furnished herewith.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: July 9, 2012

BAR HARBOR BANKSHARES

/s/ Gerald Shencavitz

Gerald Shencavitz  
Executive Vice President  
& Chief Financial Officer

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