

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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ISSUER

CASEYS GENERAL STORES INC

CIK: **726958** | IRS No.: **420935283** | State of Incorporation: **IA** | Fiscal Year End: **0430**
SIC: **5500** Auto dealers & gasoline stations

Mailing Address
PO BOX 3001
ANKENY IA 50026

Business Address
P.O. BOX 3001
ANKENY IA 50021
5152437611

REPORTING OWNER

TAYLOR JOHN P

CIK: **1023683**
Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **000-12788** | Film No.: **05790553**

Business Address
701 5TH AVE.
DES MOINES IA 50391-2000
5152804211

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|---|---------|----------|--|--|---|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person TAYLOR JOHN P | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CASEYS GENERAL STORES INC [CASY] | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2005 | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person | |
| 6100 THORNTON AVENUE, SUITE 200 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | |
| (Street) DES MOINES 50321 | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|-------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 24,000 | D | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|-----|--|-----------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$10.69 | | | | | | | 05/01/1996 | 05/01/2006 | Common Stock | 2,000 | 2,000 | D | |
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$9.43 | | | | | | | 05/01/1997 | 05/01/2007 | Common Stock | 2,000 | 2,000 | D | |
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$12.81 | | | | | | | 05/01/1998 | 05/01/2008 | Common Stock | 2,000 | 2,000 | D | |

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|---------------------------|---------|------------|------------|----------|--|-------|------------|------------|--------------|-------|------|-------|---|--|
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$14.1 | | | | | | 05/01/1999 | 05/01/2009 | Common Stock | 2,000 | | 2,000 | D | |
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$12.34 | | | | | | 05/01/2000 | 05/01/2010 | Common Stock | 2,000 | | 2,000 | D | |
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$12.16 | | | | | | 05/01/2001 | 05/01/2011 | Common Stock | 2,000 | | 2,000 | D | |
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$13.07 | | | | | | 05/01/2002 | 05/01/2012 | Common Stock | 2,000 | | 2,000 | D | |
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$11.86 | | | | | | 05/01/2003 | 05/01/2013 | Common Stock | 2,000 | | 2,000 | D | |
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$15.8 | | | | | | 05/01/2004 | 05/01/2014 | Common Stock | 2,000 | | 2,000 | D | |
| Option - right to buy (1) | \$17.64 | 05/01/2005 | 05/01/2005 | <u>A</u> | | 2,000 | 05/01/2005 | 05/01/2015 | Common Stock | 2,000 | \$ 0 | 2,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Pursuant to terms of Non-Employee Directors Stock Option Plan.

Signatures

William J. Noth, under power of attorney dated 5/3/04

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/02/2005

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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