

SZTYKIEL JOHN E  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SZTYKIEL JOHN E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SPARTAN MOTORS  
INC, 1541 REYNOLDS ROAD

(Street)

CHARLOTTE, MI 48813

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SPARTAN MOTORS INC [SPAR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

12/26/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
Common Stock	12/26/2012		M	V	19,770	A	\$ 5.0578	628,013	D	
Common Stock	12/26/2012		S		19,770	D	\$ 5.2033	608,243	D	
Common Stock	12/26/2012		S		11,724	D	\$ 5.2293	596,519	D	
Common Stock								25,141.42	I	401(k)retirement plan
Common Stock								5,000	I	Ana Sztykiel (cust/daughter)

Common  
Stock

163,948 <sup>(1)</sup> I

Sztykiel  
Investments LLC

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

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**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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive stock option (right to buy)	\$ 5.0578	12/26/2012		M	19,770	12/31/2005 12/31/2012		Common Stock	19,770

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SZTYKIEL JOHN E C/O SPARTAN MOTORS INC 1541 REYNOLDS ROAD CHARLOTTE, MI 48813	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Kimberly Baber, as Attorney-in-Fact for John E. Sztykiel

12/27/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the listed shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest herein.

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