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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2018

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number: **000-55898**

SSB Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

82-2776224

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

8700 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

(Address of principal executive offices)

15237

(Zip code)

(412) 837-6955

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: **None**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: **Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

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.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes [] No [X]

As of June 30, 2018 the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates of the Registrant was \$7,465,872.

As of March 29, 2019, there were 2,248,250 outstanding shares of the registrant's common stock, of which 1,236,538 shares are owned by SSB Bancorp, MHC.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

1. Portions of the Proxy Statement for the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (Part III)



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PART I

ITEM 1. Business

Forward Looking Statements

This annual report contains forward-looking statements, which can be identified by the use of words such as “estimate,” “project,” “believe,” “intend,” “anticipate,” “assume,” “plan,” “seek,” “expect,” “will,” “may,” “should,” “indicate,” “would,” “contemplate,” “continue,” “potential,” “target” and words of similar meaning. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to:

- statements of our goals, intentions and expectations;
- statements regarding our business plans, prospects, growth and operating strategies;
- statements regarding the quality of our loan and investment portfolios; and
- estimates of our risks and future costs and benefits.

These forward-looking statements are based on current beliefs and expectations of our management and are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond our control. In addition, these forward-looking statements are subject to assumptions with respect to future business strategies and decisions that are subject to change. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on such statements. We are under no duty to and do not take any obligation to update any forward-looking statements after the date of this annual report.

The following factors, among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from the anticipated results or other expectations expressed in the forward-looking statements:

- general economic conditions, either nationally or in our market areas, that are worse than expected;
- changes in the level and direction of loan delinquencies and write-offs and changes in estimates of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses;
- our ability to access cost-effective funding;
- fluctuations in real estate values and both residential and commercial real estate market conditions;
- demand for loans and deposits in our market area;
- our ability to implement and change our business strategies;
- competition among depository and other financial institutions;
- inflation and changes in the interest rate environment that reduce our margins and yields, our mortgage banking revenues, the fair value of financial instruments or our level of loan originations, or prepayments on loans we have made and make;
- adverse changes in the securities or secondary mortgage markets;
- changes in tax law, or laws or government regulations or policies affecting financial institutions, including changes in regulatory fees and capital requirements;

- political instability;
- changes in the quality or composition of our loan or investment portfolios;
- technological changes that may be more difficult or expensive than expected;
- failures or breaches of our IT security systems;
- the inability of third-party providers to perform as expected;
- our ability to manage market risk, credit risk and operational risk in the current economic environment;
- our ability to successfully introduce new products and services, enter new markets, and capitalize on growth opportunities;
- our ability to successfully integrate into our operations any assets, liabilities, customers, systems and management personnel we may acquire and our ability to realize related revenue synergies and cost savings within expected time frames, and any goodwill charges related thereto;
- changes in consumer spending, borrowing and savings habits;
- changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the bank regulatory agencies, the Financial Accounting Standards Board or the Securities and Exchange Commission;
- our ability to retain key employees;
- our compensation expense associated with equity allocated or awarded to our employees; and
- changes in the financial condition, results of operations or future prospects of issuers of securities that we own.

Because of these and a wide variety of other uncertainties, our actual future results may be materially different from the results indicated by these forward-looking statements.

SSB Bancorp, Inc.

SSB Bancorp, Inc., a Maryland corporation organized on August 17, 2017, was incorporated as part of the mutual holding company reorganization of SSB Bank, which was completed on January 24, 2018. In the reorganization, SSB Bancorp, Inc. sold 1,011,712 shares of common stock to the public at \$10.00 per share, representing 45% of its outstanding shares of common stock. SSB Bancorp, MHC owns 1,236,538, or 55%, of the outstanding common stock of SSB Bancorp, Inc. At December 31, 2018, SSB Bancorp, Inc. had total consolidated assets of \$188.8 million, net loans of \$158.5 million, deposits of \$136.1 million, and stockholders' equity of \$20.3 million.

SSB Bancorp, Inc. owns 100% of the common stock of SSB Bank following the reorganization and offering. Upon completion of the reorganization, SSB Bancorp, Inc. became the holding company for SSB Bank.

SSB Bancorp, Inc. conducts its operations primarily through its wholly owned subsidiary, SSB Bank, a Pennsylvania-chartered savings bank. SSB Bancorp, Inc. manages its operations as one unit, and does not have separate operating segments.

The executive offices of SSB Bancorp, Inc. are located at 8700 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237, and its telephone number is (412) 837-6955.

SSB Bancorp, MHC

SSB Bancorp, MHC, a Pennsylvania-chartered mutual holding company, was formed as part of the reorganization. Upon completion of the reorganization, which was completed on January 24, 2018, SSB Bancorp, MHC does and will, for as long as it is in existence, own a majority of the outstanding shares of SSB Bancorp, Inc.'s common stock. SSB Bancorp, MHC's principal assets are the common stock of SSB Bancorp, Inc. it received in the reorganization and offering and \$40,000 of cash from its initial capitalization. Presently, it is expected that the only business activity of SSB Bancorp, MHC will be to own a majority of SSB Bancorp, Inc.'s common stock. SSB Bancorp, MHC is authorized, however, to engage in any other business activities that are permissible for mutual holding companies under Pennsylvania law, including investing in loans and securities.

SSB Bank

SSB Bank is a Pennsylvania-chartered stock savings bank headquartered in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. We conduct our business from our main office and one branch office. Both of our banking offices are located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, which is located in Allegheny County in western Pennsylvania.

Historically, our business has consisted primarily of taking deposits from the general public and investing those funds, along with borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, in one- to four-family residential real estate loans and, to a lesser extent, commercial real estate, commercial and industrial, and consumer loans. More recently, we have increased our focus on commercial and industrial lending to diversify our loan portfolio, increase the yield earned on our loans, and assist in managing interest rate risk. To a limited extent, we also invest in securities for liquidity purposes. We offer a variety of deposit products, including checking accounts, savings accounts and time deposits.

Our main office is located at 8700 Perry Highway, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237, and our telephone number at that address is (412) 837-6955. Our website address is www.ssbpggh.com. Information on our website is not and should not be considered a part of this annual report.

Market Area

We provide financial services to individual consumers and businesses from its main branch office and headquarters located in the North Hills of Pittsburgh as well as its branch office located in the Northside of Pittsburgh. We view Allegheny County and the adjacent portions of surrounding counties as our primary market area for deposits and lending. We view the neighborhoods located in the North Side of Pittsburgh and in the North Hills Area of Pittsburgh as primary areas for growth.

Our primary focus in the marketplace is on small businesses, real estate investors, and homeowners. We believe that we have developed products and services that will meet the financial needs of our current and future customer base. Our marketing strategies focus on the strength of our knowledge of local consumer and small business markets, as well as expanding relationships with current business and consumer customers.

Competition

We face intense competition within our market area both in making loans and attracting deposits. Our market area has a concentration of financial institutions that include large national and regional banks, community banks and credit unions. We also face competition from savings institutions, mortgage banking firms, consumer finance companies and, with respect to deposits, from money market funds, brokerage firms, mutual funds and insurance companies.

Lending Activities

General. Our historical principal lending activity has been originating one- to four-family residential real estate loans and, to a lesser extent, commercial real estate loans, commercial and industrial loans, and consumer loans. More recently, we have increased our focus on originating commercial and industrial loans in an effort to diversify our overall loan portfolio, increase the overall yield earned on our loans, and assist in managing interest rate risk. At December 31, 2018, our portfolio consisted predominantly of one- to four-family mortgages and commercial real estate loans. We primarily make loans to customers located in Allegheny County.

Historically, we have not originated significant amounts of loans for sale. In recent years, we have increased this activity in order to manage the duration and time to repricing of our loan portfolio, to manage interest rate risk, and to generate fee income. Currently, we sell all eligible fixed-rate residential mortgages that we originate, preferably with servicing rights retained. We also engage in a significant amount of loan participation sales of loans in our commercial portfolio in order to manage portfolio risk.

One- to Four-Family Residential Real Estate Lending. At December 31, 2018, we had \$75.5 million of loans secured by one- to four-family real estate, representing 47.3% of our total loan portfolio. Our one- to four-family residential real estate loans typically have terms of up to 30 years. Our adjustable-rate one- to four-family residential mortgage loans have an initial five year fixed-interest rate period followed by annual adjustments to the interest rate. Interest rates are generally based on LIBOR. Our one- to four-family residential real estate loans are generally underwritten to internal guidelines, although recently we have begun underwriting loans to agency guidelines. We generally limit the loan-to-value ratios of our one- to four-family residential mortgage loans to 80% of the purchase price or appraised value, whichever is lower. In addition, we occasionally make one- to four-family residential mortgage loans with loan-to-value ratios in excess of 80%, but no higher than 95%, of the purchase price or appraised value, whichever is less, with private mortgage insurance.

We also have a mortgage banking operation that generates mortgage loans through three mortgage loan originators and one correspondent mortgage company. Loans are originated both for sale in the secondary market and for retention in our portfolio.

Currently, we retain all adjustable-rate residential mortgage loans that we originate and generally seek to sell the majority of fixed-rate residential mortgage loans that we originate, with servicing rights retained, through the Mortgage Partnership Finance (MPF) program administered by the Federal Home Loan Bank. We have an additional mortgage loan investor to whom we sell service-released mortgage loans that are outside of the scope of the MPF program. During the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, we sold \$9.7 million and \$14.5 million, respectively, of one- to four-family mortgages to these investors, with an additional pool of \$7.0 one- to four- family mortgages million sold in 2017. During the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, we earned servicing fee income of \$143,000 and \$97,000, respectively. At December 31, 2018, we serviced \$51.1 million of one- to four-family residential real estate loans held by others.

We do not offer “interest only” mortgage loans on permanent one- to four-family residential real estate loans, where the borrower pays interest for an initial period, after which the loan converts to a fully amortizing loan. Additionally, we do not offer loans that provide for negative amortization of principal, such as “Option ARM” loans, where the borrower can pay less than the interest owed on the loan, resulting in an increased principal balance during the life of the loan, or mortgage loans with balloon terms, pursuant to which a loan does not fully amortize over its relatively short term and the outstanding amount becomes payable in full at the end of the term.

Commercial Real Estate Loans. In recent years, we have increased our commercial real estate loans. Our commercial real estate loans are secured primarily by one- to four-family and multi-family non-owner occupied investment properties, hotels, and mixed-use properties, which may include both apartment and condominium units and retail or office space, all of which are located in our primary market area. At December 31, 2018, we had \$59.5 million in commercial real estate loans, representing 37.3% of our total loan portfolio. This amount included \$44.0 million of one- to four-family, non-owner-occupied investment properties, and \$6.1 million of multi-family residential real estate loans, which are described below. At December 31, 2018, \$9.4 million of our commercial real estate loans were for owner-occupied properties.

Our commercial real estate loans are generally balloon loans, with a five-year, fixed interest rate term based on a maximum 20-year amortization schedule. We offer fixed-interest rate commercial real estate loans of up to 15 years without a balloon feature. We also offer fixed-rate multi-family residential real estate loans of up to 20 years without a balloon feature. The maximum loan-to-value ratio of our commercial real estate loans is generally 80%. At December 31, 2018, the average balance of our commercial real estate loans was \$149,000, and our largest commercial real estate loan totaled \$1.4 million and was secured by mixed used commercial real estate property. At December 31, 2018, this loan was performing according to its original terms.

We consider a number of factors in originating commercial real estate loans. We evaluate the qualifications and financial condition of the borrower, including credit history, profitability and expertise, as well as the value and condition of the property securing the loan. When evaluating the qualifications of the borrower, we consider the financial resources of the borrower, the borrower's experience in owning or managing similar property and the borrower's payment history with us and other financial institutions. In evaluating the property securing the loan, the factors we consider include the ratio of the loan amount to the appraised value of the mortgaged property and the debt service coverage ratio (the ratio of net operating income to debt service). We require appraisals by state certified appraisers for all real estate related or business purpose loans for \$250,000 or more. Personal guarantees are generally obtained by individuals who own 20% or more of the borrowing business. We engage a third party to perform a preliminary site evaluation to determine environmental risk for each commercial property and conduct additional testing, if necessary.

We generally limit our loans-to-one borrower to 15% of capital, or approximately \$2.6 million at December 31, 2018. At December 31, 2018, our largest commercial real estate relationship was approximately \$3.0 million, which consists of loans secured by one- to four-family non-owner occupied properties and multi-family properties.

In recent years, we have begun to sell participation interest in individual commercial real estate loans that we originate to other financial institutions in order to reduce portfolio risk and manage our liquidity. Generally we retain 50% of the loan amount and continue to service such loans.

Multi-Family Residential Real Estate Loans. At December 31, 2018, multi-family real estate loans totaled \$6.1 million, or 3.8% of our total loan portfolio. Our multi-family real estate loans are typically secured by properties consisting of five or more rental units in our market area. At December 31, 2018, our largest multi-family residential real estate loan had an outstanding balance of \$559,000 and was secured by real estate containing retail space and apartments. At December 31, 2018, this loan was performing according to its original terms.

Our multi-family residential real estate loans are generally balloon loans, with five-year, seven-year or ten-year fixed-interest rate terms based on a 20-year amortization schedule. The maximum loan-to-value ratio of our multi-family residential real estate loans is generally 80% and we generally limit our loans-to-one borrower to 15% of capital, or approximately \$2.6 million at December 31, 2018.

We consider a number of factors in originating multi-family residential real estate loans. We evaluate the qualifications and financial condition of the borrower, including credit history, profitability and expertise, as well as the value and condition of the property securing the loan. When evaluating the qualifications of the borrower, we consider the financial resources of the borrower, the borrower's experience in owning or managing similar property and the borrower's payment history with us and other financial institutions. In evaluating the property securing the loan, the factors we consider include the ratio of the loan amount to the appraised value of the mortgaged property and the debt service coverage ratio (the ratio of net operating income to debt service). We require appraisals by state certified appraisers for all real estate related or business purpose loans for \$250,000 or more. Personal guarantees are generally obtained by individuals who own 20% or more of the borrowing business. We engage a third party to perform a preliminary site evaluation to determine environmental risk for each multi-family residential property and conduct additional testing, if necessary.

In recent years, we have begun to sell participation interest in individual multi-family real estate loans that we originate to other financial institutions in order to reduce portfolio risk and manage our liquidity. Generally we retain 50% of the loan amount and continue to service such loans. We are not an active purchaser of such loans.

Construction Loans. We originate loans to individual homeowners and a limited group of established local builders to finance the construction of one- to four-family residential properties, and commercial and multi-family properties. At December 31, 2018, construction loans totaled \$9.1 million, or 5.7% of our total loan portfolio, consisting of \$4.6 million of one- to four-family residential construction loans and \$4.5 million of commercial and multi-family real estate construction loans. These loans generally are secured by properties located in our primary market area. We generally do not originate speculative construction loans, which are construction loans made to a builder who does not have a buyer under contract for the completed property when we originate the loan. At December 31, 2018, we did not have any speculative construction loans outstanding.

Our commercial and multi-family real estate construction loans typically involve purchase and renovation projects, and are primarily secured by non-owner-occupied properties located within the Pittsburgh city limits. Generally, the construction period of these loans may last up to 18 months, during which the borrower may make payments of interest only. Upon completion of construction, commercial construction loans generally become fixed-rate five-year balloon loans, based on a maximum 20-year amortization schedule. The maximum loan-to-value ratio of such loans is generally 80%.

We also offer residential construction mortgages, which are made for the purpose of constructing a borrower's primary residence. Generally, the construction period of these loans may last up to 12 months, during which a borrower may make payments of interest only. Construction periods of longer than 12 months require the approval of our senior lending officer or the president and chief executive officer. Licensed contractors must be approved by us and an inspection of the construction process is performed before each scheduled disbursement to verify the stages of construction. Upon completion of construction, all residential construction mortgages become fixed-rate mortgages, which we attempt to sell, with servicing rights retained. The home must be fully completed and certified as such by the inspector before final disbursements and permanent financing.

At December 31, 2018, our largest construction loan had an outstanding balance of \$1.1 million and was secured by residential real estate. At December 31, 2018, this loan was performing according to its original terms.

Commercial and Industrial Loans. We make commercial and industrial loans, primarily in our market area, to a variety of professionals, sole proprietorships, and small businesses. Our commercial lending efforts focus on experienced, growing small- to medium-sized, privately-held companies with solid historical and projected cash flow that operate in our market areas. These loans are generally secured by blanket liens on business assets, although we do from time to time offer unsecured lines of credit and term loans. At December 31, 2018, commercial and industrial loans were \$19.2 million, or 12.0% of total loans, of which \$702,000 were unsecured.

Our commercial lending products include term loans and revolving lines of credit. Commercial lines of credit are typically made with variable interest rates, which are adjusted annually and float over time. Term loans generally consist of fixed-rate loans for equipment, with terms of up to seven years and a maximum loan-to-value ratio of 100% of the purchase price.

When making commercial and industrial loans, we consider the financial statements of the borrower, our lending history with the borrower, the debt service capabilities and global cash flows of the borrower and other guarantors, the projected cash flows of the business and the value of the collateral, accounts receivable, inventory and equipment.

Our largest commercial and industrial loan at December 31, 2018 totaled \$2.0 million and was a term loan secured by accounts receivable, inventory, equipment and other business assets. At December 31, 2018, this loan was not performing in accordance with its original terms.

Consumer Loans and Home Equity Lines of Credit. We offer a limited range of consumer loans, principally to customers residing in our primary market area with acceptable credit ratings. Our consumer loans generally consist primarily of loans on new and used automobiles, as well as second mortgage loans and home equity lines of credit. Adjustable-rate lines of credit are prime-based and reset each quarter. The maximum term for auto loans depends on the age of the vehicle, generally with a maximum term of seven years and maximum amount of \$75,000, for new vehicles. Unsecured lines of credit, home equity lines of credit, and home equity loans have terms of up to 5, 10, and 20 years, respectively. The maximum loan-to-value ratio for home equity lines of credit is generally up to 90% (taking into account any outstanding first mortgage loan balance), while the maximum amount for home equity lines of credit is generally \$250,000. At December 31, 2018, consumer loans and home equity lines of credit were \$5.4 million, or 3.4% of total loans, of which \$1.5 million were new and used auto loans.

The procedures for underwriting home equity lines of credit include an assessment of the applicant's payment history on other debts and ability to meet existing obligations and payments on the proposed loan, including an assessment of the borrower's debt-to-income ratio. Although the applicant's creditworthiness is a primary consideration, the underwriting process also includes a comparison of the value of the collateral to the proposed loan amount. Borrowers are required to maintain insurance coverage whenever collateral is pledged in support of the loan.

Loan Underwriting Risks

Commercial Real Estate Loans. Loans secured by commercial real estate generally have larger balances and involve a greater degree of risk than one- to four-family residential real estate loans. The primary concern in commercial real estate lending is the borrower's creditworthiness and the feasibility and cash flow potential of the project. Payments on loans secured by income properties often depend on successful operation and management of the properties. As a result, repayment of such loans may be subject to adverse conditions in the real estate market or the economy to a greater extent than residential real estate loans. To monitor cash flows on income properties, we require borrowers and loan guarantors to provide annual financial statements on commercial real estate loans. In reaching a decision on whether to make a commercial real estate loan, we consider and review a global cash flow analysis of the borrower and consider the net operating income of the property, the borrower's expertise, credit history and profitability and the value of the underlying property. We generally require that the properties securing these real estate loans have an aggregate debt service ratio, including the guarantor's cash flow and the borrower's other projects, of at least 1.20x. An environmental phase one report is obtained when the possibility exists that hazardous materials may have existed on the site, or the site may have been impacted by adjoining properties that handled hazardous materials. Additional environmental evaluations are performed, if required.

If we foreclose on a commercial real estate loan, the marketing and liquidation period to convert the real estate asset to cash can be lengthy with substantial holding costs. In addition, vacancies, deferred maintenance, repairs and market stigma can result in prospective buyers expecting sale price concessions to offset their real or perceived economic losses for the time it takes them to return the property to profitability. Depending on the individual circumstances, initial charge-offs and subsequent losses on commercial real estate loans can be unpredictable and substantial.

Additionally, commercial construction lending presents additional risks when compared with traditional permanent lending, because funds are advanced upon the security of the project, which is of uncertain value before its completion. Because of the uncertainties inherent in estimating construction costs, as well as the market value of the completed project and the effects of governmental regulation of real property, it is relatively difficult to evaluate accurately the total funds required to complete a project and the related loan-to-value ratio. These loans often involve the disbursement of substantial funds with repayment substantially dependent on the success of the ultimate project and the ability of the borrower to sell or lease the property or obtain permanent take-out financing, rather than the ability of the borrower or guarantor to repay principal and interest. If the appraised value of a completed project proves to be overstated, we may have inadequate security for the repayment of the loan upon completion of construction of the project and may incur a loss.

We have a concentration in commercial real estate loans under applicable bank regulatory guidance. At December 31, 2018, commercial real estate loans represented 332.11% of SSB Bank's total capital.

Commercial and Industrial Loans. Unlike residential real estate loans, which generally are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from his or her employment or other income, and which are secured by real property whose value tends to be more easily ascertainable, commercial and industrial loans are of higher risk and typically are made on the basis of the borrower's ability to make repayment from the cash flow of the borrower's business and the collateral securing these loans may fluctuate in value. Our commercial and industrial loans are originated primarily based on the identified cash flow of the borrower and secondarily on the underlying collateral provided by the borrower. Most often, this collateral consists of real estate, accounts receivable, inventory or equipment. Credit support provided by the borrower for most of these loans is based on the liquidation of the pledged collateral and enforcement of a personal guarantee, if any. Further, any collateral securing such loans may depreciate over time, may be difficult to appraise and may fluctuate in value. As a result, the availability of funds for the repayment of commercial and industrial loans may depend substantially on the success of the business itself.

Adjustable-Rate Loans. While we believe that adjustable-rate loans better offset the adverse effects of an increase in interest rates as compared to fixed-rate loans, an increased monthly payment required of adjustable-rate loan borrowers in a rising interest rate environment could cause an increase in delinquencies and defaults. The marketability of the underlying collateral also may be adversely affected in a high interest rate environment.

Balloon Loans. Although balloon loans help to mitigate our vulnerability to interest rate risk because they reprice at the end of the short balloon term, the ability of the borrower to renew or repay the loan and the marketability of the underlying collateral may be adversely affected if real estate values decline or if interest rates rise before the expiration of the balloon term.

Consumer Loans. Consumer loans may entail greater risk than residential real estate loans, particularly in the case of consumer loans that are unsecured or secured by assets that depreciate rapidly, such as motor vehicles. Repossessed collateral for a defaulted consumer loan may not provide an adequate source of repayment for the outstanding loan and a small remaining deficiency often does not warrant further substantial collection efforts against the borrower. Consumer loan collections depend on the borrower's continuing financial stability, and therefore are likely to be adversely affected by various factors, including job loss, divorce, illness or personal bankruptcy. Furthermore, the application of various federal and state laws, including federal and state bankruptcy and insolvency laws, may limit the amount that can be recovered on such loans.

Originations, Purchases and Sales of Loans

Lending activities are conducted by loan personnel operating at our main and branch office locations. All loans originated by us are underwritten pursuant to our policies and procedures. We primarily originate fixed-rate residential mortgage loans and adjustable-rate commercial real estate loans. Our ability to originate adjustable-rate loans is dependent upon customer demand for such loans, which is affected by current and expected future levels of market interest rates. We originate real estate and other loans through our loan officers, marketing efforts, our customer base, walk-in customers and referrals from existing customers, real estate agents, brokers, attorneys, builders and others.

We also purchase loans from correspondent lenders to supplement our loan production. These loans generally consist of one- to four-family residential mortgage loans. For the year ended December 31, 2018, we purchased \$5.8 million of whole loans. Substantially all of our purchased loans are to borrowers located in our primary market area. We underwrite our participation interest in the loan that we are purchasing according to our own underwriting criteria and procedures.

Generally, we sell all of our eligible fixed-rate residential real estate loans upon origination, with servicing rights retained, in order to manage the duration and time to repricing of our loan portfolio, and to generate noninterest income. We currently sell loans through the Mortgage Partnership Finance program administered by the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh. We sold \$9.3 million of fixed-rate residential mortgages during the year ended December 31, 2018, all on a servicing-retained basis. We sold another \$335,000 of fixed-rate residential mortgages to a secondary investor on a service-released basis during the year ended December 31, 2018.

In addition, we have begun to sell participation interests in individual commercial loans that we originate in order to reduce portfolio risk and manage our liquidity. We generally retain 50% of the loan amount and continue to service such loans.

At December 31, 2018, we serviced \$51.1 million of one- to four-family residential real estate loans and \$5.0 million of commercial real estate loans for others and we generated \$143,000 in loan servicing fee income during the year ended December 31, 2018.

Loan Approval Procedures and Authority

Our lending activities follow written, non-discriminatory, underwriting standards and loan origination procedures established by our board of directors and management. Consistent with our lending policy, the board of directors has granted loan approval authority to certain senior officers up to prescribed limits, not exceeding \$1.75 million in the case of the President and Chief Executive Officer, \$1.0 million in the case of the Chief Lending Officer, \$750,000 in the case of the Commercial Loan Manager, and \$100,000 in the case of the Consumer Loan Manager. Loans in excess of such amounts require the approval of the board of directors, as do any extensions of credit to borrowers who already have significant outstanding loan relationships. Loans that involve exceptions to policy, including loans in excess of our internal loans-to-one borrower limitation, must be authorized by the board of directors. Exceptions are reported to the board of directors monthly.

Loans-to-One Borrower

Under Pennsylvania banking laws, a Pennsylvania chartered savings bank, with certain limited exceptions, may lend to a single or related group of borrowers on an "unsecured" basis an amount equal to 15% of its capital accounts, which is the aggregate of capital, surplus, undivided profits, capital securities and reserve for loan losses. We have established an internal limit for an aggregate amount of loans to one borrower or guarantor equal to the legal lending limit or 15% of our total capital accounts, which was approximately \$2.6 million at December 31, 2018.

Under certain circumstances, well qualified customers or customers with multiple individually qualified projects, our internal loans-to-one borrower limit may be exceeded subject to the approval of the board of trustees. As of December 31, 2018 we had two relationships that exceeded the limit-to-one-borrower. The two relationships include \$4.0 million of commercial and industrial loans secured by accounts receivable, inventory, equipment and other business assets; and \$3.0 million of commercial real estate loans secured by 1-4 residential non-owner-occupied investment property and multifamily property. At December 31, 2018, all loans across both relationships were performing in accordance with their original terms. The \$4.0 million relationship noted above was the Bank's largest relationship at December 31, 2018, and all loans were performing in accordance with their original terms.

Investment Activities

We have legal authority to invest in various types of investment securities and liquid assets, including U.S. Treasury obligations, securities of various government-sponsored enterprises, residential mortgage-backed securities, municipal government securities, deposits at the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, certificates of deposit of federally insured institutions, investment grade corporate bonds, and federally insured deposits at other institutions. We also are required to maintain an investment in Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh stock, in which the amount invested is based on the level of our Federal Home Loan Bank borrowings. Although we have the authority under applicable law to invest in derivative securities, we had no investments in derivative securities at December 31, 2018. At December 31, 2018, our securities investment portfolio had a fair value of \$9.1 million and consisted of municipal bonds, corporate bonds, mortgage-backed securities and U.S. treasury securities. See Notes 3, 4, and 5 of the Notes to Financial Statements.

Our investment objectives are to maintain liquidity for use in our lending and deposit activities and to supplement interest income when demand for loans is weak. The Asset and Liability Committee of our board of trustees has the overall responsibility for the investment portfolio. Our Chief Financial Officer is responsible for implementation of the investment policy and monitoring our investment performance. The Asset and Liability Committee is responsible for monthly and quarterly reviews and reports on the status of our investment portfolio.

Sources of Funds

General. Deposits have traditionally been our primary source of funds for our lending and investment activities. We also use Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh advances to supplement cash flow needs, as needed. In addition, funds are derived from scheduled loan payments, investment maturities, loan prepayments, retained earnings and income on interest-earning assets. While scheduled loan payments and income on interest-earning assets are relatively stable sources of funds, deposit inflows and outflows can vary widely and are influenced by prevailing interest rates, market conditions and levels of competition.

Deposit Accounts. The majority of our deposits are from depositors who reside in our primary market area, however, we do accept some brokered and listing service deposits. Deposits are attracted through the offering of a broad selection of deposit instruments for both individuals and businesses. At December 31, 2018, our deposits totaled \$136.1 million.

Deposit account terms vary according to the minimum balance required, the time period that funds must remain on deposit, and the interest rate paid on such deposits, among other factors. In determining the terms of our deposit accounts, we consider the rates offered by our competition, our liquidity needs, profitability, and customer preferences and concerns. We generally review our deposit mix and pricing on a weekly basis. Our deposit pricing strategy has generally been to offer competitive rates and services and to periodically offer special rates in order to attract deposits of a specific type or term.

Borrowings. We use advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh to supplement our supply of investable funds. The Federal Home Loan Bank functions as a central reserve bank providing credit for its member financial institutions. As a member, we are required to own capital stock in the Federal Home Loan Bank and are authorized to apply for advances on the security of such stock and certain of our whole first mortgage loans and other assets (principally securities which are obligations of, or guaranteed by, the United States), provided certain standards related to creditworthiness have been met. Advances are made under several different programs, each having its own interest rate and range of maturities. Depending on the program, limitations on the amount of advances are based either on a fixed percentage of an institution's net worth or on the Federal Home Loan Bank's assessment of the institution's creditworthiness. At December 31, 2018, we had \$91.9 million of available borrowing capacity with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh and had \$31.4 million in advances outstanding.

Personnel

As of December 31, 2018, we had 17 full-time employees and 3 part-time employees. Our employees are not represented by any collective bargaining group. Management believes that we have good working relations with our employees.

Subsidiaries

SSB Bank is the wholly-owned subsidiary of SSB Bancorp, Inc. SSB Bancorp, Inc. has no other subsidiaries. SSB Bank has no subsidiaries.

Regulation and Supervision

General

As a bank holding company, SSB Bancorp, Inc. is required to comply with the rules and regulations of the Federal Reserve Board and Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities. It is required to file certain reports with the Federal Reserve Board and is subject to examination by the enforcement authority of the Federal Reserve Board and the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities. SSB Bancorp, Inc. is also subject to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the federal securities laws.

SSB Bank is a Pennsylvania chartered stock savings bank. Its deposits are insured up to applicable limits by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. SSB Bank is subject to extensive regulation by the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities, as its chartering agency, and by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as its deposit insurer. SSB Bank is required to file reports with, and is periodically examined by, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities concerning its activities and financial condition and must obtain regulatory approvals before entering into certain transactions, including, but not limited to, mergers with or acquisitions of other financial institutions. SSB Bank is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, which is one of the 11 regional banks in the Federal Home Loan Bank System. SSB Bank's relationship with its depositors and borrowers also is regulated to a great extent by federal law and, to a lesser extent, state law, including in matters concerning the ownership of deposit accounts and the form and content of SSB Bank's loan documents.

The regulation and supervision of SSB Bank establish a comprehensive framework of activities in which an institution can engage and are intended primarily for the protection of depositors and borrowers and, for purposes of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the protection of the insurance fund. The regulatory structure also gives the regulatory authorities extensive discretion in connection with their supervisory and enforcement activities and examination policies, including policies with respect to the classification of assets and the establishment of adequate loan loss reserves for regulatory purposes.

Set forth below is a description of certain material regulatory requirements that are applicable to SSB Bank and SSB Bancorp, Inc. This description of statutes and regulations is not intended to be a complete description of such statutes and regulations and their effects on SSB Bank and SSB Bancorp, Inc. Any change in these laws or regulations, whether by federal legislators or the applicable regulatory agencies, could have a material adverse impact on the operations of SSB Bancorp, Inc. and SSB Bank.

Holding Company Regulation

SSB Bancorp, Inc. is a bank holding company within the meaning of Bank Holding Company of 1956, as amended. As such, SSB Bancorp, Inc. is registered with the Federal Reserve Board and is subject to regulations, examinations, supervision and reporting requirements applicable to bank holding companies. In addition, the Federal Reserve Board has enforcement authority over SSB Bancorp, Inc. and its non-savings bank subsidiaries. Among other things, this authority permits the Federal Reserve Board to restrict or prohibit activities that are determined to be a serious risk to the subsidiary savings bank.

A bank holding company is generally prohibited from engaging in non-banking activities, or acquiring direct or indirect control of more than 5% of the voting securities of any company engaged in non-banking activities. One of the principal exceptions to this prohibition is for activities found by the Federal Reserve Board to be so closely related to banking or managing or controlling banks as to be a proper incident thereto. Some of the principal activities that the Federal Reserve Board has determined by regulation to be so closely related to banking are: (i) making or servicing loans; (ii) performing certain data processing services; (iii) providing discount brokerage services; (iv) acting as fiduciary, investment or financial advisor; (v) leasing personal or real property; (vi) making investments in corporations or projects designed primarily to promote community welfare; and (vii) acquiring a savings and loan association whose direct and indirect activities are limited to those permitted for bank holding companies.

The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999 authorized a bank holding company that meets specified conditions, including being "well capitalized" and "well managed," to opt to become a "financial holding company" and thereby engage in a broader array of financial activities than previously permitted. Such activities can include insurance underwriting and investment banking.

SSB Bancorp, Inc. is subject to the Federal Reserve Board's capital adequacy guidelines for bank holding companies (on a consolidated basis), which have historically been similar to, though less stringent than, those of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for SSB Bank. The Dodd-Frank Act, however, required the Federal Reserve Board to promulgate consolidated capital requirements for depository institution holding companies that are no less stringent, both quantitatively and in terms of components of capital, than those applicable to institutions themselves. Instruments such as cumulative preferred stock and trust preferred securities would no longer be includable as Tier 1 capital, as is currently the case with bank holding companies, subject to certain grandfathering rules. The previously discussed final rule regarding regulatory capital requirements implements the Dodd-Frank Act as to bank holding company capital standards. Consolidated regulatory capital requirements identical to those applicable to the subsidiary banks apply to bank holding companies (with greater than \$1.0 billion of assets) at January 1, 2015. As is the case with institutions themselves, the capital conservation buffer began to be phased-in in 2016 and was completely phased-in on January 1, 2019.

A bank holding company is generally required to give the Federal Reserve Board prior written notice of any purchase or redemption of then outstanding equity securities if the gross consideration for the purchase or redemption, when combined with the net consideration paid for all such purchases or redemptions during the preceding 12 months, is equal to 10% or more of the company's consolidated net worth. The Federal Reserve Board may disapprove such a purchase or redemption if it determines that the proposal would constitute an unsafe and unsound practice, or would violate any law, regulation, Federal Reserve Board order or directive, or any condition imposed by, or written agreement with, the Federal Reserve Board. There is an exception to this approval requirement for well-capitalized bank holding companies that meet certain other conditions.

The Federal Reserve Board has issued a policy statement regarding capital distributions, including dividends, by bank holding companies. In general, the policies provide that dividends should be paid only out of current earnings and only if the prospective rate of earnings retention by the bank holding company appears consistent with the organization's capital needs, asset quality and overall financial condition. The policies also require that a bank holding company serve as a source of financial strength to its subsidiary banks by standing ready to use available resources to provide adequate capital funds to those banks during periods of financial stress or adversity and by maintaining the financial flexibility and capital-raising capacity to obtain additional resources for assisting its subsidiary banks where necessary. The Dodd-Frank Act codified the source of strength doctrine. Under the prompt corrective action laws, the ability of a bank holding company to pay dividends may be restricted if a subsidiary bank becomes undercapitalized. These regulatory policies could affect the ability of SSB Bancorp, Inc. to pay dividends or otherwise engage in capital distributions.

Under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, depository institutions are liable to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for losses suffered or anticipated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in connection with the default of a commonly controlled depository institution or any assistance provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to such an institution in danger of default.

The status of SSB Bancorp, Inc. as a registered bank holding company under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 will not exempt it from certain federal and state laws and regulations applicable to corporations generally, including, without limitation, certain provisions of the federal securities laws.

Federal Securities Laws

SSB Bancorp, Inc.'s common stock is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. SSB Bancorp, Inc. is subject to the information, proxy solicitation, insider trading restrictions and other requirements under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging Growth Company Status

SSB Bancorp, Inc. is an emerging growth company under the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act (the "JOBS Act"). We will cease to be an emerging growth company upon the earliest of: (i) the end of the fiscal year following the fifth anniversary of the completion of our initial stock offering, (ii) the first fiscal year after our annual gross revenues are \$1.0 billion or more, (iii) the date on which we have, during the previous three-year period, issued more than \$1.0 billion in non-convertible debt securities, or (iv) the end of any fiscal year in which the market value of our common stock held by non-affiliates exceeded \$700 million as of the end of the second quarter of that fiscal year. We expect to lose our status as an emerging growth company in January 2023, five years after the completion of our initial stock offering.

An “emerging growth company” may choose not to hold stockholder votes to approve annual executive compensation (more frequently referred to as “say-on-pay” votes) or executive compensation payable in connection with a merger (more frequently referred to as “say-on-golden parachute” votes). An emerging growth company also is not subject to the requirement that its auditors attest to the effectiveness of the company’s internal control over financial reporting, and can provide scaled disclosure regarding executive compensation. Finally, an emerging growth company may elect to comply with new or amended accounting pronouncements in the same manner as a private company, but must make such election when the company is first required to file a registration statement. Such an election is irrevocable during the period a company is an emerging growth company. We have elected to use the extended transition period to delay adoption of new or revised accounting pronouncements applicable to public companies until such pronouncements are made applicable to private companies.

Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 is intended to improve corporate responsibility, to provide for enhanced penalties for accounting and auditing improprieties at publicly traded companies and to protect investors by improving the accuracy and reliability of corporate disclosures pursuant to the securities laws. SSB Bancorp, Inc. has in place policies, procedures and systems designed to comply with these regulations, and SSB Bancorp, Inc. periodically reviews such policies, procedures and systems to ensure continued compliance with these regulations.

Change in Control Regulations

Under the Change in Bank Control Act, no person, or group of persons acting in concert, may acquire control of a bank holding company, such as SSB Bancorp, Inc., unless the Federal Reserve Board has been given 60 days’ prior written notice and not disapproved the proposed acquisition. The Federal Reserve Board considers several factors in evaluating a notice, including the financial and managerial resources of the acquirer and competitive effects. Control, as defined under the applicable regulations, means the power, directly or indirectly, to direct the management or policies of the company or to vote 25% or more of any class of voting securities of the company. Acquisition of more than 10% of any class of a bank holding company’s voting securities constitutes a rebuttable presumption of control under certain circumstances, including where, as will be the case with SSB Bancorp, Inc., the issuer has registered securities under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

In addition, federal regulations provide that no company may acquire control (as defined in the Bank Holding Company Act) of a bank holding company without the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board. Any company that acquires such control becomes a “bank holding company” subject to registration, examination and regulation by the Federal Reserve Board.

Dodd-Frank Act

The Dodd-Frank Act made extensive changes in the regulation of depository institutions and their holding companies. The Dodd-Frank Act created a new Consumer Financial Protection Bureau as an independent bureau of the Federal Reserve Board. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau is responsible for the implementation of the federal financial consumer protection and fair lending laws and regulations, a function previously assigned to prudential regulators, and now has the authority to impose new requirements. However, institutions of less than \$10 billion in assets, such as SSB Bank, continue to be examined for compliance with consumer protection and fair lending laws and regulations by, and be subject to the enforcement authority of, their federal prudential regulator, although the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has back-up authority to examine and enforce consumer protection laws against all institutions, including institutions with less than \$10 billion in assets.

In addition to creating the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the Dodd-Frank Act, among other things, directed changes in the way that institutions are assessed for deposit insurance, mandated the imposition of tougher consolidated capital requirements on holding companies, required the issuance of regulations requiring originators of securitized loans to retain a percentage of the risk for the transferred loans, imposed regulatory rate-setting for certain debit card interchange fees, repealed restrictions on the payment of interest on commercial demand deposits and contained a number of reforms related to mortgage originations. Many of the provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act are subject to delayed effective dates and/or still require the issuance of implementing regulations. Their impact on operations cannot yet be fully assessed. However, there is significant possibility that the Dodd-Frank Act will, at a minimum, result in increased regulatory burden, compliance costs and interest expense for SSB Bank and SSB Bancorp, Inc.

The Dodd-Frank Act contained the so-called “Volcker Rule,” which generally prohibits banking organizations from engaging in proprietary trading and from investing in, sponsoring or having certain relationships with hedge or private equity funds (“covered funds”). The federal agencies have issued a final rule implementing the Volcker Rule which, among other things, requires banking organizations to restructure and limit certain of their investments in and relationships with covered funds.

Pennsylvania Savings Bank Law

The Pennsylvania Banking Code of 1965, as amended (the “Banking Code”), contains detailed provisions governing the organization, operations, corporate powers, savings and investment authority, branching rights and responsibilities of directors, officers and employees of Pennsylvania savings banks. A Pennsylvania savings bank may locate or change the location of its principal place of business and establish an office anywhere in, or adjacent to, Pennsylvania, with the prior approval of the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities. The Banking Code delegates extensive rulemaking power and administrative discretion to the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities in its supervision and regulation of state-chartered savings banks.

The Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities generally examines each savings bank not less frequently than once every two years. Although the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities may accept the examinations and reports of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in lieu of its own examination, the current practice is for the Department of Banking to conduct individual examinations. The Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities may order any savings bank to discontinue any violation of law or unsafe or unsound business practice and may direct any director, officer, or employee of a savings bank engaged in a violation of law, unsafe or unsound practice or breach of fiduciary duty to show cause at a hearing before the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities why such person should not be removed. The Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities may also appoint a receiver or conservator for an institution in appropriate cases.

The “Banking Law Modernization Package” was Pennsylvania legislation effective on December 24, 2012. The legislation was intended to update, simplify and modernize the banking laws of Pennsylvania and reduce regulatory burden where possible. The legislation, among other things, increased the threshold for investments in bank premises without the approval of the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities from 25% of capital, surplus, undivided profits and capital securities to 100%, eliminated archaic lending requirements and pricing restrictions, and changed the procedure for Pennsylvania chartered institutions closing a branch from an application for approval to a notice. The legislation also clarified the examination and enforcement authority of the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities over subsidiaries of Pennsylvania institutions, and authorized the assessment of civil money penalties of up to \$25,000 under certain circumstances for violations of laws or orders related to the institution or unsafe or unsound practices or breaches of fiduciary duties.

In the case of a Pennsylvania-chartered savings bank, the Banking Code states that no dividend may be paid out of surplus without the approval of the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities. Dividends may be paid out of accumulated net earnings. No dividend may generally be paid that would result in SSB Bank failing to comply with its regulatory capital requirements.

Federal Bank Regulation

Capital Requirements. Under Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation regulations, federally insured state-chartered banks that are not members of the Federal Reserve System (“state non-member banks”), such as SSB Bank, are required to comply with minimum leverage capital requirements. The minimum capital leverage requirement is a ratio of Tier 1 capital to total assets that is not less than 4.0%. Tier 1 capital consists of common equity Tier 1 (“CET1”) and “Additional Tier 1 capital” instruments meeting specified requirements. CET1 is defined as common stock, plus related surplus, and retained earnings plus limited amounts of minority interest in the form of common stock, less the majority of the regulatory deductions.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation regulations require state non-member banks to maintain certain levels of regulatory capital in relation to regulatory risk-weighted assets. The ratio of regulatory capital to regulatory risk-weighted assets is referred to as a bank’s “risk-based capital ratio.” Risk-based capital ratios are determined by allocating assets and specified off-balance sheet items (including recourse obligations, direct credit substitutes and residual interests) to risk-weighted categories ranging from 0.0% to 200.0%, with higher levels of capital being required for the categories perceived as representing greater risk.

State non-member banks must maintain a minimum ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets of at least 8.0%, of which at least one-half must be Tier 1 capital. Total capital consists of Tier 1 capital and Tier 2 capital. Tier 1 capital consists of common stock, plus related surplus and retained earnings. Under the new capital rules, for most banking organizations, the most common form of Additional Tier 1 capital is noncumulative perpetual preferred stock and the most common form of Tier 2 capital is subordinated notes and a portion of the allowance for loan and lease losses, in each case, subject to the new capital rules' specific requirements. Banks that engage in specified levels of trading activities are subject to adjustments in their risk based capital calculation to ensure the maintenance of sufficient capital to support market risk.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and the other federal bank regulatory agencies have issued a final rule that has revised their leverage and risk-based capital requirements and the method for calculating risk-weighted assets to make them consistent with agreements that were reached by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision and certain provisions of the Dodd-Frank Act. Among other things, the rule establishes a new common equity Tier 1 minimum capital requirement (4.5% of risk-weighted assets), increases the minimum Tier 1 capital to risk-based assets requirement (from 4% to 6% of risk-weighted assets), sets the leverage ratio at a uniform 4% of total assets and assigns a higher risk weight (150%) to exposures that are more than 90 days past due or are on non-accrual status and to certain commercial real estate facilities that finance the acquisition, development or construction of real property. The final rule also requires unrealized gains and losses on certain "available for sale" securities holdings to be included for purposes of calculating regulatory capital requirements unless a one-time opt-out is exercised. SSB Bank has elected to exercise its one-time option to opt-out of the requirement under the final rule to include certain "available for sale" securities holdings for purposes of calculating its regulatory capital requirements. The rule limits a banking organization's capital distributions and certain discretionary bonus payments to executive officers if the banking organization does not hold a "capital conservation buffer" which, when fully phased in, will consist of 2.5% of common equity Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets in addition to the amount necessary to meet its minimum risk-based capital requirements. The final rule became effective on January 1, 2015. The "capital conservation buffer" was phased in from January 1, 2016 to January 1, 2019, when the full capital conservation buffer became effective.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act required each federal banking agency to revise its risk-based capital standards for insured institutions to ensure that those standards take adequate account of interest-rate risk, concentration of credit risk, and the risk of nontraditional activities, as well as to reflect the actual performance and expected risk of loss on multi-family residential loans. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, along with the other federal banking agencies, adopted a regulation providing that the agencies will take into account the exposure of a bank's capital and economic value to changes in interest rate risk in assessing a bank's capital adequacy. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation also has authority to establish individual minimum capital requirements in appropriate cases upon determination that an institution's capital level is, or is likely to become, inadequate in light of the particular circumstances.

Standards for Safety and Soundness. As required by statute, the federal banking agencies adopted final regulations and Interagency Guidelines Establishing Standards for Safety and Soundness to implement safety and soundness standards. The guidelines set forth the safety and soundness standards that the federal banking agencies use to identify and address problems at insured depository institutions before capital becomes impaired. The guidelines address internal controls and information systems, internal audit system, credit underwriting, loan documentation, interest rate exposure, asset growth, asset quality, earnings and compensation, fees and benefits. The agencies have also established standards for safeguarding customer information. If the appropriate federal banking agency determines that an institution fails to meet any standard prescribed by the guidelines, the agency may require the institution to submit to the agency an acceptable plan to achieve compliance with the standard.

Investment Activities. All state-chartered Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation-insured banks, including savings banks, are generally limited in their investment activities to principal and equity investments of the type and in the amount authorized for national banks, notwithstanding state law, subject to certain exceptions. For example, state chartered banks may, with Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation approval, continue to exercise state authority to invest in common or preferred stocks listed on a national securities exchange and in the shares of an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940. The maximum permissible investment is 100% of Tier 1 Capital, as specified by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's regulations, or the maximum amount permitted by Pennsylvania law, whichever is less.

In addition, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation is authorized to permit such a state bank to engage in state-authorized activities or investments not permissible for national banks (other than non-subsidary equity investments) if it meets all applicable capital requirements and it is determined that such activities or investments do not pose a significant risk to the Deposit Insurance Fund. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has adopted procedures for institutions seeking approval to engage in such activities or investments. In addition, a non-member bank may control a subsidiary that engages in activities as principal that would only be permitted for a national bank to conduct in a “financial subsidiary” if a bank meets specified conditions and deducts its investment in the subsidiary for regulatory capital purposes.

Interstate Banking and Branching. Federal law permits well capitalized and well managed bank holding companies to acquire banks in any state, subject to Federal Reserve Board approval, certain concentration limits and other specified conditions. Interstate mergers of banks are also authorized, subject to regulatory approval and other specified conditions. In addition, among other things, recent amendments made by the Dodd-Frank Act permit banks to establish de novo branches on an interstate basis provided that branching is authorized by the law of the host state for the banks chartered by that state.

Prompt Corrective Regulatory Action. Federal law requires, among other things, that federal bank regulatory authorities take “prompt corrective action” with respect to banks that do not meet minimum capital requirements. For these purposes, the law establishes five capital categories: well capitalized, adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized and critically undercapitalized.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has adopted regulations to implement the prompt corrective action legislation. An institution is deemed to be “well capitalized” if it has a total risk-based capital ratio of 10.0% or greater, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of 8.0% or greater, a Tier 1 leverage ratio of 5.0% or greater and a common equity Tier 1 ratio of 6.5% or greater. An institution is “adequately capitalized” if it has a total risk-based capital ratio of 8.0% or greater, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of 6.0% or greater, a Tier 1 leverage ratio of 4.0% or greater and a common equity Tier 1 ratio of 4.5% or greater. An institution is “undercapitalized” if it has a total risk-based capital ratio of less than 8.0%, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of less than 6.0%, a Tier 1 leverage ratio of less than 4.0% or a common equity Tier 1 ratio of less than 4.5%. An institution is deemed to be “significantly undercapitalized” if it has a total risk-based capital ratio of less than 6.0%, a Tier 1 risk-based capital ratio of less than 4.0%, a Tier 1 leverage ratio of less than 3.0% or a common equity Tier 1 ratio of less than 3.0%. An institution is considered to be “critically undercapitalized” if it has a ratio of tangible equity (as defined in the regulations) to total assets that is equal to or less than 2.0%. At December 31, 2018, SSB Bancorp, Inc. was classified as a “well capitalized” institution.

At each successive lower capital category, an insured depository institution is subject to more restrictions and prohibitions, including restrictions on growth, restrictions on interest rates paid on deposits, restrictions or prohibitions on payment of dividends, and restrictions on the acceptance of brokered deposits. Furthermore, if an insured depository institution is classified in one of the undercapitalized categories, it is required to submit a capital restoration plan to the appropriate federal banking agency, and the holding company must guarantee the performance of that plan. Based upon its capital levels, a bank that is classified as well-capitalized, adequately capitalized, or undercapitalized may be treated as though it were in the next lower capital category if the appropriate federal banking agency, after notice and opportunity for hearing, determines that an unsafe or unsound condition, or an unsafe or unsound practice, warrants such treatment. An undercapitalized bank’s compliance with a capital restoration plan is required to be guaranteed by any company that controls the undercapitalized institution in an amount equal to the lesser of 5.0% of the institution’s total assets when deemed undercapitalized or the amount necessary to achieve the status of adequately capitalized. If an “undercapitalized” bank fails to submit an acceptable plan, it is treated as if it is “significantly undercapitalized.” “Significantly undercapitalized” banks must comply with one or more of a number of additional restrictions, including but not limited to an order by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to sell sufficient voting stock to become adequately capitalized, requirements to reduce total assets, cease receipt of deposits from correspondent banks or dismiss directors or officers, and restrictions on interest rates paid on deposits, compensation of executive officers and capital distributions by the parent holding company. “Critically undercapitalized” institutions are subject to additional measures including, subject to a narrow exception, the appointment of a receiver or conservator within 270 days after it obtains such status.

Transaction with Affiliates and Regulation W of the Federal Reserve Regulations. Transactions between banks and their affiliates are governed by federal law. An affiliate of a bank is any company or entity that controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the bank. In a holding company context, the parent bank holding company and any companies which are controlled by such parent holding company are affiliates of the bank (although subsidiaries of the bank itself, except financial subsidiaries, are generally not considered affiliates). Generally, Section 23A of the Federal Reserve Act and the Federal Reserve Board's Regulation W limit the extent to which the bank or its subsidiaries may engage in "covered transactions" with any one affiliate to an amount equal to 10.0% of such institution's capital stock and surplus, and with all such transactions with all affiliates to an amount equal to 20.0% of such institution's capital stock and surplus. Section 23B applies to "covered transactions" as well as to certain other transactions and requires that all such transactions be on terms substantially the same, or at least as favorable, to the institution or subsidiary as those provided to a non-affiliate. The term "covered transaction" includes the making of loans to, purchase of assets from, and issuance of a guarantee to an affiliate, and other similar transactions. Section 23B transactions also include the provision of services and the sale of assets by a bank to an affiliate. In addition, loans or other extensions of credit by the financial institution to the affiliate are required to be collateralized according to the requirements set forth in Section 23A of the Federal Reserve Act.

Sections 22(h) and (g) of the Federal Reserve Act place restrictions on loans to a bank's insiders, i.e., executive officers, directors and principal stockholders. Under Section 22(h) of the Federal Reserve Act, loans to a director, an executive officer and to a greater than 10.0% stockholder of a financial institution, and certain affiliated interests of these, together with all other outstanding loans to such person and affiliated interests, may not exceed specified limits. Section 22(h) of the Federal Reserve Act also requires that loans to directors, executive officers and principal stockholders be made on terms substantially the same as offered in comparable transactions to other persons and also requires prior board approval for certain loans. In addition, the aggregate amount of extensions of credit by a financial institution to insiders cannot exceed the institution's unimpaired capital and surplus. Section 22(g) of the Federal Reserve Act places additional restrictions on loans to executive officers.

Enforcement. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has extensive enforcement authority over insured state savings banks, including SSB Bank. The enforcement authority includes, among other things, the ability to assess civil money penalties, issue cease and desist orders and remove directors and officers. In general, these enforcement actions may be initiated in response to violations of laws and regulations, breaches of fiduciary duty and unsafe or unsound practices. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation is required, with certain exceptions, to appoint a receiver or conservator for an insured state non-member bank if that bank was "critically undercapitalized" on average during the calendar quarter beginning 270 days after the date on which the institution became "critically undercapitalized." It may also appoint itself as conservator or receiver for an insured state non-member bank under specified circumstances, including: (1) insolvency; (2) substantial dissipation of assets or earnings through violations of law or unsafe or unsound practices; (3) existence of an unsafe or unsound condition to transact business; (4) insufficient capital; or (5) the incurrence of losses that will deplete substantially all of the institution's capital with no reasonable prospect of replenishment without federal assistance.

Federal Insurance of Deposit Accounts. SSB Bank is a member of the Deposit Insurance Fund, which is administered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Deposit accounts in SSB Bank are insured up to a maximum of \$250,000 for each separately insured depositor.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation imposes an assessment for deposit insurance on all depository institutions. Under its risk-based assessment system, insured institutions are assigned to risk categories based on supervisory evaluations, regulatory capital levels and certain other factors. An institution's assessment rate depends upon the category to which it is assigned and certain adjustments specified by regulation, with less risky institutions paying lower rates. Assessment rates (inclusive of possible adjustments) currently range from 2 1/2 to 45 basis points of each institution's total assets less tangible capital. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation may increase or decrease the scale uniformly, except that no adjustment can deviate by more than two basis points from the base scale without notice and comment rulemaking. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's current system represents a change, required by the Dodd-Frank Act, from its prior practice of basing the assessment on an institution's volume of deposits.

The Dodd-Frank Act increased the minimum target Deposit Insurance Fund ratio from 1.15% of estimated insured deposits to 1.35% of estimated insured deposits. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation must seek to achieve the 1.35% ratio by September 30, 2020. Insured institutions with assets of \$10 billion or more are supposed to fund the increase. The Dodd-Frank Act eliminated the 1.5% maximum fund ratio, instead leaving it to the discretion of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. It has recently exercised that discretion by establishing a long range fund ratio of 2%.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has authority to increase insurance assessments. A significant increase in insurance premiums would likely have an adverse effect on the operating expenses and results of operations of SSB Bank. Future insurance assessment rates cannot be predicted.

Insurance of deposits may be terminated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation upon a finding that the institution has engaged in unsafe or unsound practices, is in an unsafe or unsound condition to continue operations or has violated any applicable law, regulation, rule order or regulatory condition imposed in writing. We do not know of any practice, condition or violation that might lead to termination of SSB Bank's deposit insurance.

In addition to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation assessments, the Financing Corporation ("FICO") is authorized to impose and collect, with the approval of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, assessments for anticipated payments, issuance costs and custodial fees on bonds issued by the FICO in the 1980s to recapitalize the former Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation. The bonds issued by the FICO are due to mature in 2017 through 2019.

Privacy Regulations. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation regulations generally require that SSB Bank disclose its privacy policy, including identifying with whom it shares a customer's "non-public personal information," to customers at the time of establishing the customer relationship and annually thereafter. In addition, SSB Bank is required to provide its customers with the ability to "opt-out" of having their personal information shared with unaffiliated third parties and not to disclose account numbers or access codes to non-affiliated third parties for marketing purposes. SSB Bank currently has a privacy protection policy in place and believes that such policy is in compliance with the regulations.

Community Reinvestment Act. Under the Community Reinvestment Act ("CRA"), as implemented by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, a state non-member bank has a continuing and affirmative obligation, consistent with its safe and sound operation, to help meet the credit needs of its entire community, including low and moderate income neighborhoods. The CRA does not establish specific lending requirements or programs for financial institutions nor does it limit an institution's discretion to develop the types of products and services that it believes are best suited to its particular community, consistent with the CRA. The CRA requires the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, in connection with its examination of a state non-member bank, to assess the institution's record of meeting the credit needs of its community and to take such record into account in its evaluation of certain applications by such institution, including applications to acquire branches and other financial institutions. The CRA requires the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to provide a written evaluation of an institution's CRA performance utilizing a four-tiered descriptive rating system. SSB Bank's latest Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation CRA rating was "Satisfactory."

Consumer Protection and Fair Lending Regulations. The Equal Credit Opportunity Act and the Fair Housing Act prohibit lenders from discriminating in their lending practices on the basis of characteristics specified in those statutes. The failure to comply with the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and the Fair Housing Act could result in enforcement actions by federal regulatory agencies or the Department of Justice. Additionally, Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act, which prohibits unfair and deceptive acts and practices against consumers, authorizes private individual and class action lawsuits and the award of actual, statutory and punitive damages and attorneys' fees for certain types of violations. The Dodd Frank Act also added a new statute that prohibits unfair, deceptive or abusive acts or practices against consumers, which can be enforced by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and state Attorneys General.

USA Patriot Act. SSB Bank is subject to the USA PATRIOT Act, which gives federal agencies additional powers to address terrorist threats through enhanced domestic security measures, expanded surveillance powers, increased information sharing, and broadened anti-money laundering requirements. By way of amendments to the Bank Secrecy Act, Title III of the USA PATRIOT Act provided measures intended to encourage information sharing among bank regulatory agencies and law enforcement bodies. Further, certain provisions of Title III impose affirmative obligations on a broad range of financial institutions, including banks, thrifts, brokers, dealers, credit unions, money transfer agents, and parties registered under the Commodity Exchange Act.

Other Regulations

Interest and other charges collected or contracted for by SSB Bank are subject to state usury laws and federal laws concerning interest rates. Loan operations are also subject to state and federal laws applicable to credit transactions, such as the:

- Truth in Lending Act, which requires lenders to disclose the terms and conditions of consumer credit;
- Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, which requires lenders to disclose the nature and costs of the real estate settlement process and prohibits specific practices, such as kickbacks, and places limitations upon the use of escrow accounts;
- Home Mortgage Disclosure Act of 1975, which requires financial institutions to provide information to enable the public and public officials to determine whether a financial institution is fulfilling its obligation to help meet the housing needs of the community it serves; and
- Rules and regulations of the various federal and state agencies charged with the responsibility of implementing such federal and state laws.

The deposit operations of SSB Bank also are subject to, among others, the:

- Truth in Savings Act, which requires financial institutions to disclose the terms and conditions of their deposit accounts;
- Expedited Funds Availability Act, which requires banks to make funds deposited in transaction accounts available to their customers within specified time frames;
- Right to Financial Privacy Act, which imposes a duty to maintain confidentiality of consumer financial records and prescribes procedures for complying with administrative subpoenas of financial records;
- Check Clearing for the 21st Century Act (also known as “Check 21”), which gives “substitute checks,” such as digital check images and copies made from that image, the same legal standing as the original paper check;
- Electronic Funds Transfer Act and Regulation E promulgated thereunder, which govern automatic deposits to and withdrawals from deposit accounts and customers’ rights and liabilities arising from the use of automated teller machines and other electronic banking services; and
- Pennsylvania banking laws and regulations, which governs deposit powers.

Federal Reserve System

Federal Reserve Board regulations require depository institutions to maintain non-interest-earning reserves against their transaction accounts (primarily NOW and regular checking accounts). For 2019, the regulations generally require that reserves be maintained against aggregate transaction accounts as follows: for that portion of transaction accounts aggregating \$124.2 million or less (which may be adjusted by the Federal Reserve Board) the reserve requirement is 3.0%, and the amounts greater than \$124.2 million require a 10.0% reserve (which may be adjusted annually by the Federal Reserve Board between 8.0% and 14.0%). The first \$16.3 million of otherwise reservable balances (which may be adjusted by the Federal Reserve Board) are exempted from the reserve requirements. SSB Bank is in compliance with these requirements.

Federal Home Loan Bank System

SSB Bank is a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System, which consists of 11 regional Federal Home Loan Banks. The Federal Home Loan Bank provides a central credit facility primarily for member institutions. Members of the Federal Home Loan Bank are required to acquire and hold shares of capital stock in the Federal Home Loan Bank. SSB Bank complied with this requirement at December 31, 2018. Based on redemption provisions of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, the stock has no quoted market value and is carried at cost. SSB Bank reviews for impairment based on the ultimate recoverability of the cost basis of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh stock. At December 31, 2018, no impairment has been recognized.

At its discretion, the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh may declare dividends on the stock. The Federal Home Loan Banks are required to provide funds for certain purposes including the resolution of insolvent thrifts in the late 1980s and to contributing funds for affordable housing programs. These requirements could reduce the amount of dividends that the Federal Home Loan Banks pay to their members and result in the Federal Home Loan Banks imposing a higher rate of interest on advances to their members. There can be no assurance that such dividends will continue in the future. Further, there can be no assurance that the impact of recent or future legislation on the Federal Home Loan Banks also will not cause a decrease in the value of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh stock held by SSB Bank.

Taxation

SSB Bank, SSB Bancorp, MHC and SSB Bancorp, Inc. are subject to federal and state income taxation in the same general manner as other corporations, with some exceptions discussed below. The following discussion of federal and state taxation is intended only to summarize material income tax matters and is not a comprehensive description of the tax rules applicable to SSB Bancorp, MHC, SSB Bancorp, Inc. and SSB Bank.

Our federal and state tax returns have not been audited for the past three years.

Federal Taxation

Method of Accounting. SSB Bancorp, Inc. and SSB Bank file a consolidated federal income tax return. For federal income tax purposes, we report our income and expenses on the accrual method of accounting and use a tax year ending December 31 for filing our federal income tax returns. The Small Business Protection Act of 1996 eliminated the use of the reserve method of accounting for income taxes on bad debt reserves by savings institutions with more than \$500 million in assets. For taxable years beginning after 1995, we have been subject to the same bad debt reserve rules as commercial banks. It currently utilizes the specific charge-off method under Section 166 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Internal Revenue Code").

Net Operating Loss Carryovers. Generally, a financial institution may carry back net operating losses to the preceding two taxable years and forward to the succeeding 20 taxable years. At December 31, 2018, we had no federal net operating loss carryforwards.

Capital Loss Carryovers. A corporation cannot recognize capital losses in excess of capital gains generated. Generally, a financial institution may carry back capital losses to the preceding three taxable years and forward to the succeeding five taxable years. Any capital loss carryback or carryover is treated as a short-term capital loss for the year to which it is carried. As such, it is grouped with any other capital losses for the year to which it is carried and is used to offset any capital gains. Any undeducted loss remaining after the five-year carryover period is not deductible. At December 31, 2018, we have no capital loss carryovers.

Corporate Dividends. SSB Bancorp, Inc. may generally exclude from its income 100% of dividends received from SSB Bank as a member of the same affiliated group of corporations.

State Taxation

As a Maryland business corporation, SSB Bancorp, Inc. is required to file annual tax returns with the State of Maryland. In addition, SSB Bancorp, Inc. is subject to Pennsylvania's corporate net income tax. Dividends received by SSB Bancorp, Inc. from SSB Bank will qualify for a 100% dividends received deduction and are not subject to corporate net income tax.

SSB Bank is subject to Pennsylvania's mutual thrift institutions tax based on SSB Bank's net income determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP, with certain adjustments. The tax rate under the mutual thrift institutions tax is 11.5%. Interest on Pennsylvania and federal obligations is excluded from net income. An allocable portion of interest expense incurred to carry the obligations is disallowed as a deduction.

ITEM 1A. Risk Factors

Not applicable, as SSB Bancorp, Inc. is a "smaller reporting company."

ITEM 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

None.

ITEM 2. Properties

As of December 31, 2017, the net book value of our office properties was \$4.1 million, and the net book value of our furniture, fixtures and equipment was \$254,000. The following table sets forth information regarding our offices.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Leased/Owned</u>	<u>Year Acquired</u>
Main Office: 8700 Perry Highway Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15237	Owned	2017
Branch Office: 2470 California Avenue Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15212	Owned	1930

We believe that current facilities are adequate to meet our present and foreseeable needs, subject to possible future expansion.

ITEM 3. Legal Proceedings

Periodically, we are involved in claims and lawsuits, such as claims to enforce liens, condemnation proceedings on properties in which we hold security interests, claims involving the making and servicing of real property loans and other issues incident to our business. At December 31, 2018, we were not a party to any pending legal proceedings that we believe would have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

ITEM 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

PART II

ITEM 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters and Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Our common stock is quoted on the OTC Pink Marketplace operated by OTC Markets Group under the symbol "SSBP." As of March 27, 2019, we had 118 stockholders of record (excluding the number of persons or entities holding stock in street name through various brokerage firms), and 2,248,250 shares of common stock outstanding, of which 1,236,538 shares, or 55%, are owned by SSB Bancorp, MHC. SSB Bancorp, Inc. completed its initial public offering on January 24, 2018, and its stock commenced trading on January 26, 2018. Accordingly, there is no market information to report for the year ended December 31, 2017. The following table provides quarterly market price and dividend information per common share for 2018. Prices presented in the table below are bid prices between broker-dealers as published by the OTC Pink Market. The prices do not include retail markups or markdowns or any commission to the broker-dealer and do not necessarily reflect prices in actual transactions.

	<u>High Bid</u>	<u>Low Bid</u>	<u>Dividends</u>
2018:			
Fourth quarter	\$ 9.43	\$ 8.55	\$ -
Third quarter	9.50	9.21	-
Second quarter	9.40	9.10	-
First quarter	9.65	9.25	-

The payment and amount of any dividend payments will be subject to statutory and regulatory limitations, and will depend upon a number of factors, including the following: regulatory capital requirements; our financial condition and results of operations; our other uses of funds for the long-term value of stockholders; tax considerations; the Federal Reserve Board's current regulations restricting the waiver of dividends by mutual holding companies; and general economic conditions.

The Federal Reserve Board has issued a policy statement providing that dividends should be paid only out of current earnings and only if our prospective rate of earnings retention is consistent with our capital needs, asset quality and overall financial condition. Regulatory guidance also provides for prior regulatory consultation with respect to capital distributions in certain circumstances such as where the holding company's net income for the past four quarters, net of dividends previously paid over that period, is insufficient to fully fund the dividend or the holding company's overall rate or earnings retention is inconsistent with its capital needs and overall financial condition. In addition, SSB Bank's ability to pay dividends will be limited if it does not have the capital conservation buffer required by the new capital rules, which may limit our ability to pay dividends to stockholders. No assurances can be given that any dividends will be paid or that, if paid, will not be reduced or eliminated in the future. Special cash dividends, stock dividends or returns of capital, to the extent permitted by regulations and policies of the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, may be paid in addition to, or in lieu of, regular cash dividends.

If SSB Bancorp, Inc. pays dividends to its stockholders, it will likely pay dividends to SSB Bancorp, MHC. The Federal Reserve Board's current regulations significantly restrict the ability of mutual holding companies organized after December 1, 2009 to waive dividends declared by their subsidiaries. Accordingly, we do not currently anticipate that SSB Bancorp, MHC will waive dividends paid by SSB Bancorp, Inc.

There were no sales of unregistered securities or repurchases of shares of common stock during the quarter ended December 31, 2018.

ITEM 6. Selected Financial and Other Data

The summary information presented below at each date or for each of the periods presented is derived in part from our consolidated financial statements. The financial condition data at December 31, 2018 and 2017, and the operating data for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 were derived from the audited consolidated financial statements. included elsewhere in this annual report. The information at and for the year ended December 31, 2016 was derived in part from audited financial statements that are not included in this annual report. The following information is only a summary, and should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and notes included in this annual report.

	At December 31,		
	2018	2017	2016
	(In thousands)		
Selected Financial Condition Data:			
Total assets	\$ 188,792	\$ 171,905	\$ 141,251
Cash and cash equivalents	9,034	16,478	6,831
Certificates of deposit	846	943	1,390
Securities available for sale	9,068	2,616	3,226
Securities held to maturity	6	10	14
Gross loans	159,655	141,616	104,162
Net loans	158,530	140,575	103,747
Loans held for sale	-	-	19,942
Total liabilities	168,473	159,794	129,756
Total deposits	136,109	132,430	109,371
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	31,375	26,416	19,125
Stockholders' equity (total equity at December 31, 2017 and 2016)	20,319	12,112	11,495

	For Years Ended December 31,		
	2018	2017	2016
	(In thousands)		
Selected Operating Data:			
Interest income	\$ 7,018	\$ 6,223	\$ 5,293
Interest expense	2,900	2,316	1,998
Net interest income	4,118	3,907	3,295
Provision for loan losses	150	247	30
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	3,968	3,660	3,265
Non-interest income (loss) (1) (2)	460	527	(43)
Non-interest expense	3,985	3,014	2,343
Income before income taxes	443	1,173	879
Provision for income taxes (3)	63	584	291
Net income	<u>\$ 380</u>	<u>\$ 589</u>	<u>\$ 588</u>

- (1) Non-interest income included a provision for losses on loans held for sale of \$372,000 for the year ended December 31, 2016. There was no provision for losses on loans held for sale for the years ended December 31, 2018 or 2017.
- (2) Non-interest income included a gain on sale of loans of \$182,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018, \$348,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017, and \$176,000 for the year ended December 31, 2016.
- (3) Provision for income taxes for the year ended December 31, 2017 includes a \$203,000 write-down of the net deferred tax asset due to changes in federal tax laws enacted in December 2017.

For the Years Ended December 31,

	2018	2017	2016
Performance Ratios:			
Return on average assets (1)	0.22%	0.38%	0.43%
Return on average equity (2)	1.93%	4.89%	5.19%
Interest rate spread (3)	2.29%	2.56%	2.40%
Net interest margin (4)	2.49%	2.61%	2.49%
Efficiency ratio (5)	87.03%	67.97%	72.05%
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities	111.61%	103.58%	105.44%
Capital Ratios:			
Average equity to assets (6)	11.20%	7.79%	8.37%
Tier 1 capital (to adjusted total assets) (6)	11.59%	7.85%	8.53%
Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets) (6)	14.22%	9.47%	11.32%
Total capital (to risk-weighted assets) (6)	15.01%	10.29%	12.12%
Common equity Tier 1 capital (to risk-weighted assets) (6)	14.22%	9.47%	11.32%
Asset Quality Ratios:			
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of total gross loans	0.70%	0.74%	0.79%
Allowance for loan losses as a percent of non-performing loans	31.66%	31.85%	47.79%
Net charge-offs to average outstanding loans during the period	0.04%	-0.02%	-0.04%
Non-performing loans as a percent of total gross loans	2.23%	2.31%	1.65%
Non-performing assets as a percent of total assets	1.96%	1.94%	1.26%
Other Data:			
Number of offices	2	2	1
Number of full-time equivalent employees	19	18	15

- (1) Represents net income divided by average total assets.
- (2) Represents net income divided by average equity (net worth).
- (3) Represents the difference between the weighted average yield on average interest-earning assets and the weighted average cost of average interest-bearing liabilities.
- (4) Represents net interest income as a percent of average interest-earning assets.
- (5) Represents non-interest expense divided by the sum of net interest income and non-interest income. Non-interest expense increased \$971,000 in the year ended December 31, 2018 compared to the year ended December 31, 2017, causing the 19.06% increase. Non-interest income for the year ended December 31, 2016 included a provision for loss on loans held for sale of \$372,000. Excluding the provision for loss on loans held for sale, the efficiency ratio for the year ended December 31, 2016 would be 64.03%.
- (6) Capital Ratios for December 31, 2018 include \$7.9 million in additional capital that was a result of the Reorganization completed January 24, 2018.

ITEM 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

This discussion and analysis reflects our consolidated financial statements and other relevant statistical data and is intended to enhance your understanding of our financial condition and results of operations. The information in this section has been derived from the consolidated financial statements, which appear elsewhere in this annual report. You should read the information in this section in conjunction with the other business and financial information provided in this annual report.

Overview

Our business consists primarily of making loans to real estate investors, businesses and consumers. We also invest in securities, which consist of Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh stock, mortgage-backed securities issued by U.S. government-sponsored entities, corporate bonds, tax-exempt municipal bonds, and U.S. Treasury notes. We also have a mortgage banking operation that generates one- to four-family residential mortgage loans through three mortgage loan originators and three correspondent mortgage banks. Such residential mortgage loans are originated both for sale in the secondary market and for retention in our portfolio. However, the origination of loans for sale became a larger focus for us at the beginning of 2017. We continue to rely less on correspondent banks for loan originations, focusing instead on self-generated originations.

We offer a variety of deposit accounts, including checking accounts, savings and money market accounts, and time deposits. We also utilize advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh for liquidity and for asset/liability management purposes.

We also offer various merchant services to businesses, consisting of multiple credit card processing solutions and other ancillary services such as Internet banking. These services are offered through a third-party partner.

Our results of operations rely heavily on net interest income, which is the difference between interest earned on interest-earning assets and interest expense on interest-bearing liabilities. The results of operations are also affected by non-interest income, non-interest expenses, and the provision for loan losses. Primary sources of non-interest income are gains on the sale of loans, earnings on bank-owned life insurance, and loan servicing fees. Primary non-interest expenses are personnel costs, occupancy, professional fees, federal deposit insurance premiums, and data processing.

Our financial condition and results of operations may also be affected by general and local economic and competitive conditions, changes in market interest rates, governmental policies, and actions of financial regulatory authorities.

Business Strategy

Our business strategy is to use our capital to both serve our community and maintain a profitable community savings bank. Our goals have been to grow our core deposit base, effectively manage our cost of funds, and develop strong business relationships with our customers. Our mortgage banking operations continue to generate gains on loan sales and servicing fee income. We continue to expand our base for non-interest income and have begun marketing our commercial loans as well.

Our current business strategy consists of the following:

- ***Continue to grow our core deposit base.*** Deposits have been and continue to be our primary source of funds for lending. Historically, we relied on time deposits as a source of funds, we remain focused on increasing core deposits. We consider savings, checking, money market, and commercial deposits to be core deposits. Core deposits are the funding source that is least costly and least sensitive to interest rate fluctuations. Core deposits also help us maintain loan-to-deposit ratios at levels consistent with regulatory expectations. Continuing to focus on relationship growth will increase our deposit portfolio with new and existing customers. We also continue to improve and invest in technologies, such as remote check capture and mobile & on-line banking that will help to attract core deposits.
- ***Increase income streams by developing and offering innovative products to help our customers' meet their financial goals.*** We continue to strive to make the financial independence of our customers and our communities one of the pillars of our core values. In 2018 we initiated a credit card program, which will be fully operational in the first quarter of 2019, we continue to market special CD & money market rates, and continue to offer ATM fee reimbursement along with all checking account products. While some of these offerings create a tangible cost, the intangible value to the bank and appreciation from our customers is incalculable. Relationship banking is our goal and the more products we are able to offer our customers will broaden the available avenues for income growth.

- **Manage credit risk to maintain a low level of non-performing assets.** Strong asset quality is a key to the long-term financial success of any bank. Our credit risk management strategy focuses on well-defined credit and investment policies and procedures that we believe promote conservative lending and investment practices, conservative loan underwriting criteria and active credit monitoring. In 2018 we made changes to our commercial lending department, which will ensure adequate oversight and consistent credit underwriting. We continue to look for areas to improve the balance in portfolio management and lending growth.
- **Manage interest rate risk.** Interest rate risk management is central to our budgeting, liquidity, and asset management. Our focus has shifted to managing our commercial and consumer credit portfolios, with conservative lending growth, competitive interest rates, and reasonable closing costs. The commercial lending department has started marketing saleable loans to the market in an effort to free up space for more competitive opportunities in terms of interest rate and credit quality. The consumer lending department continues to sell fixed rate residential mortgage loans into the secondary market, which helps mitigate and manage interest rate risk.

Summary of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

A summary of our accounting policies is described in Note 1 to the financial statements. Critical accounting estimates are necessary in the application of certain accounting policies and procedures and are particularly susceptible to significant change. Critical accounting policies are defined as those involving significant judgments and assumptions by management that could have a material impact on the carrying value of certain assets or on income under different assumptions or conditions.

The JOBS Act contains provisions that, among other things, reduce certain reporting requirements for qualifying public companies. As an emerging growth company, we may elect to delay adoption of new or revised financial accounting standards until such date that the standards are required to be adopted by non-issuer (private) companies. If such standards would not apply to non-issuer companies, no deferral would be applicable. Such an election is irrevocable during the period that a company is an emerging growth company. We have elected to take advantage of the benefits of extended transition periods. Accordingly, our financial statements may not be comparable to those of public companies that adopt new or revised financial accounting standards as of an earlier date.

Management believes the accounting policies discussed below to be the most critical accounting policies, which involve the most complex or subjective decisions or assessments.

Allowance for Loan Losses. The allowance for loan losses is established as losses are estimated to have occurred through a provision for loan losses charged to income. Loan losses are charged against the allowance when management believes that specific loans, or portions of loans, are uncollectible. The allowance for loan losses is evaluated on a regular basis, and at least quarterly, by management. Management reviews the nature and volume of the loan portfolio, local and national conditions that may adversely affect the borrower's ability to repay, loss experience, the estimated value of any underlying collateral, and other relevant factors. The evaluation of the allowance for loan losses is characteristically subjective as estimates are required that are subject to continual change as more information becomes available.

The allowance consists of general and specific reserve components. The specific reserves are related to loans that are considered impaired. Loans that are classified as impaired are measured in accordance with applicable accounting guidance. The general reserve is allocated for non-impaired loans and includes evaluation of changes in the trend and volume of delinquency, our internal risk rating process and external conditions that may affect credit quality.

A loan is considered impaired when, based on current information and events, it is probable that we will be unable to collect the scheduled principal and interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status and the financial condition of the borrower. Loans that experience payment shortfalls and insignificant payment delays are typically not considered impaired. Management looks at each loan individually and considers all the circumstances around the shortfall or delay including the borrower's prior payment history, borrower contact regarding the reason for the delay or shortfall and the amount of the shortfall. Collateral dependent loans are measured against the fair value of the collateral, while other loans are measured by the present value of expected future cash flows discounted at the loan's effective interest rate.

From time to time, we may choose to restructure the contractual terms of certain loans at the borrower's request. We review all scenarios to determine the best payment structure with the borrower to improve the likelihood of repayment. Management reviews modified loans to determine if the loan should be classified as a trouble debt restructuring. A trouble debt restructuring is when a creditor, for economic or legal reasons related to a debtor's financial difficulties, grants a concession to the borrower that it would not otherwise consider. Management considers the borrower's ability to repay when a request to modify existing loan terms is presented. A transfer of assets to repay the loan balance, a modification of loan terms or a combination of these may occur. If an appropriate arrangement cannot be made, the loan is referred to legal counsel, at which time foreclosure will begin. If a loan is accruing at the time of restructuring, we review the loan to determine if it should be placed on non-accrual. It is our policy to keep a troubled debt restructured loan on non-accrual status for at least six months to ensure the borrower can repay, at that time management may consider its return to accrual status.

Troubled debt restructured loans are considered to be impaired loans.

Income Taxes. We account for income taxes in accordance with accounting guidance (ASC 740, Income Taxes). The income tax accounting guidance results in two components of income tax expense: current and deferred. Current income tax reflects taxes to be paid or refunded for the current period by applying the provisions of the enacted tax law to the taxable income or excess of deductions over revenues. U.S. GAAP requires that we use the Balance Sheet Method to determine the deferred income, which affects the differences between the book and tax bases of assets and liabilities, and any changes in tax rates and laws are recognized in the period of enactment. Deferred taxes are based on a valuation model and the determination on a quarterly basis whether all or a portion of the deferred tax asset will be recognized.

Fair Value Measurements. The fair value of a financial instrument is defined as the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale. We estimate the fair value of a financial instrument and any related asset impairment using a variety of valuation methods. Where financial instruments are actively traded and have quoted market prices, quoted market prices are used for fair value. When the financial instruments are not actively traded, other observable market inputs, such as quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics, may be used, if available, to determine fair value. When observable market prices do not exist, we estimate fair value. These estimates are subjective in nature and imprecision in estimating these factors can impact the amount of revenue or loss recorded. A more detailed description of the fair values measured at each level of the fair value hierarchy and the methodology we utilize can be found in Note 16 of the financial statements.

Investment Securities. Available for sale and held to maturity securities are reviewed quarterly for possible other-than-temporary impairment. The review includes an analysis of the facts and circumstances of each individual investment such as the severity of loss, the length of time the fair value has been below cost, the expectation for that security's performance, the creditworthiness of the issuer and our intent and ability to hold the security to recovery. A decline in value that is considered to be other-than-temporary is recorded as a loss within non-interest income in the statements of net income. At December 31, 2018, we believe the unrealized losses are primarily a result of increases in market yields from the time of purchase. In general, as market yields rise, the fair value of securities will decrease; as market yields fall, the fair value of securities will increase. Management generally views changes in fair value caused by changes in interest rates as temporary; therefore, these securities have not been classified as other-than-temporarily impaired. Management has also concluded that based on current information we expect to continue to receive scheduled interest payments as well as the entire principal balance. Furthermore, management does not intend to sell these securities and does not believe it will be required to sell these securities before they recover in value.

Loan Portfolio

General. Loans are our primary interest-earning asset. At December 31, 2018, net loans represented 84.0% of our total assets.

Loan Portfolio Analysis. The following table sets forth the composition of our loan portfolio by type of loan at the dates indicated.

	At December 31,			
	2018		2017	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
(Dollars in thousands)				
Mortgage Loans:				
One-to-four family	\$ 75,521	47.32%	\$ 75,858	53.63%
Commercial	59,494	37.28	50,122	35.43
	<u>135,015</u>	<u>84.60</u>	<u>125,980</u>	<u>89.06</u>
Commercial and industrial	19,167	12.01	11,456	8.10
Consumer	5,404	3.39	4,014	2.84
	<u>159,586</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>141,450</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Third-party loan acquisition and other net origination costs	268		386	
Discount on loans previously held for sale	(199)		(220)	
Allowance for loan losses	(1,125)		(1,041)	
Total	<u>\$ 158,530</u>		<u>\$ 140,575</u>	

Loan Maturity. The following tables set forth certain information at December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 regarding the dollar amount of loan principal repayments becoming due during the periods indicated. The tables do not include any estimate of prepayments that may significantly shorten the average loan life and may cause actual repayment experience to differ from that shown below. Demand loans, which are loans having no stated repayment schedule or no stated maturity, are reported as due in one year or less.

December 31, 2018					
	One-to-Four Family Mortgage Loans	Commercial Mortgage Loans	Commercial and Industrial Loans	Consumer Loans	Total Loans
(In thousands)					
Amounts due in:					
1 year or less	\$ 6,252	\$ 5,309	\$ 9,399	\$ 83	\$ 21,043
More than 1 year through 2 years	7	3,056	182	68	3,313
More than 2 years through 3 years	777	6,244	2,291	187	9,499
More than 3 years through 5 years	2,292	22,266	4,723	1,308	30,589
More than 5 years through 10 years	4,526	16,043	2,514	977	24,060
More than 10 years through 15 years	7,594	5,591	58	2,016	15,259
More than 15 years	54,073	985	-	765	55,823
Total	\$ 75,521	\$ 59,494	\$ 19,167	\$ 5,404	\$ 159,586

December 31, 2017					
	One-to-Four Family Mortgage Loans	Commercial Mortgage Loans	Commercial and Industrial Loans	Consumer Loans	Total Loans
(In thousands)					
Amounts due in:					
1 year or less	\$ 6,746	\$ 4,023	\$ 4,341	\$ 75	\$ 15,185
More than 1 year through 2 years	7	1,040	323	112	1,482
More than 2 years through 3 years	19	3,338	704	156	4,217
More than 3 years through 5 years	1,276	18,200	2,660	1,026	23,162
More than 5 years through 10 years	5,456	16,106	3,356	1,461	26,379
More than 10 years through 15 years	7,365	5,308	72	1,102	13,847
More than 15 years	54,989	2,107	-	82	57,178
Total	\$ 75,858	\$ 50,122	\$ 11,456	\$ 4,014	\$ 141,450

The following tables sets forth the dollar amount of all loans at December 31, 2018 that are due after December 31, 2019 and have either fixed interest rates or floating or adjustable interest rates. The amounts shown below exclude third-party loan and other net origination costs and the discount on loans previously held for sale.

	December 31, 2018		
	Fixed Rates	Floating or Adjustable Rates	Total
(In thousands)			
One-to-four family mortgage loans	\$ 63,494	\$ 5,775	\$ 69,269
Commercial mortgage loans	53,886	299	54,185
Commercial and industrial loans	9,705	63	9,768
Consumer loans and HELOC	1,764	3,557	5,321
Total	\$ 128,849	\$ 9,694	\$ 138,543

Loan Originations, Purchases and Sales. The following table sets forth our loan origination, purchase and sale activity for the years indicated.

	Year Ended December 31	
	2018	2017
(In thousands)		
Total loans at beginning of period	\$ 141,450	\$ 104,162
Loans originated:		
One-to-four family mortgage loans	18,565	17,309
Commercial mortgage loans	1,738	23,214
Construction loans	8,971	6,400
Multi-family loans	10,270	1,633
Commercial and industrial loans	9,899	4,320
Consumer loans	3,714	1,403
Total loans originated	53,157	54,279
Loans purchased:		
One-to-four family mortgage loans	3,939	6,728
Commercial mortgage loans	-	-
Construction loans	1,902	5,485
Consumer loans	-	-
Total loans purchased	5,841	12,213
Additions:		
Loans held for sale transferred to loans held for investment	-	12,556
Less:		
Loan principal repayments	31,179	20,253
Loan sales	9,683	21,507
Loans transferred to held for sale	-	-
Net loan activity	18,136	37,288
Total loans at end of period	\$ 159,586	\$ 141,450

Asset Quality

Credit Risk Management. Management of asset quality is accomplished by internal controls, monitoring and reporting of key risk indicators, and both internal and independent third-party loan reviews. The primary objective of our loan review process is to measure borrower performance and assess risk for the purpose of identifying loan weakness in order to minimize loan loss exposure. From the time of loan origination through final repayment, commercial real estate and commercial business loans are assigned a risk rating based on pre-determined criteria and levels of risk. The risk rating is monitored annually for most loans; however, it may change during the life of the loan as appropriate.

Delinquency Procedures. When a borrower fails to make a required loan payment, we take a number of steps to have the borrower cure the delinquency and restore the loan to current status, including contacting the borrower by letter and phone at regular intervals. When the borrower is in default, we may commence collection proceedings. If a foreclosure action is instituted and the loan is not brought current, paid in full, or refinanced before the foreclosure sale, the real property securing the loan may be sold at foreclosure.

Delinquent Loans. The following tables set forth our loan delinquencies, including non-accrual loans, by type and amount at the dates indicated.

At December 31, 2018

	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or Greater Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans Receivable	90 Days or Greater Still Accruing
(In thousands)							
Mortgage loans:							
One-to-four family	\$ 305	\$ 625	\$ 1,701	\$ 2,631	\$ 72,890	\$ 75,521	\$ -
Commercial	-	-	1,094	1,094	58,400	59,494	-
Commercial and Industrial	-	-	156	156	19,011	19,167	-
Consumer	-	-	1	1	5,403	5,404	-
Total	<u>\$ 305</u>	<u>\$ 625</u>	<u>\$ 2,952</u>	<u>\$ 3,882</u>	<u>\$ 155,704</u>	<u>\$ 159,586</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

At December 31, 2017

	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or Greater Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans Receivable	90 Days or Greater Still Accruing
(In thousands)							
Mortgage loans:							
One-to-four family	\$ 982	\$ 400	\$ 1,900	\$ 3,282	\$ 72,576	\$ 75,858	\$ -
Commercial	656	-	1,123	1,779	48,343	50,122	-
Commercial and Industrial	302	-	8	310	11,146	11,456	-
Consumer	1	14	29	44	3,970	4,014	-
Total	<u>\$ 1,941</u>	<u>\$ 414</u>	<u>\$ 3,060</u>	<u>\$ 5,415</u>	<u>\$ 136,034</u>	<u>\$ 141,450</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

Non-performing Assets. Non-performing assets include loans that are 90 or more days past due or on non-accrual status, including troubled debt restructurings on non-accrual status, and real estate and other loan collateral acquired through foreclosure and repossession. Troubled debt restructurings include loans where management has granted a concession from the original terms to a borrower that is experiencing financial difficulties. Loans 90 days or greater past due may remain on an accrual basis if adequately collateralized and in the process of collection. For non-accrual loans, interest previously accrued but not collected is reversed and charged against income at the time a loan is placed on non-accrual status. Loans generally are returned to accrual status when the borrower has become current and has demonstrated continued ability to service the loan.

Real estate that we acquire as a result of foreclosure or by deed-in-lieu of foreclosure is classified as foreclosed real estate until it is sold. When property is acquired, it is initially recorded at the fair value less costs to sell at the date of foreclosure, establishing a new cost basis. Holding costs and declines in fair value after acquisition of the property result in charges against income.

The following table sets forth information regarding our non-performing assets at the dates indicated.

	At December 31,	
	2018	2017
(Dollars in thousands)		
Non-accrual loans:		
One-to-four family mortgage loans	\$ 2,302	\$ 2,108
Commercial mortgage loans	1,094	1,123
Commercial and industrial loans	156	8
Consumer loans	1	29
Total	3,553	3,268
Accruing loans past due 90 days or more:		
One-to-four family mortgage loans	-	-
Commercial and industrial loans	-	-
Consumer loans	-	-
Total	-	-
Total non-performing loans	3,553	3,268
Other real estate owned	138	60
Total non-performing assets	\$ 3,691	\$ 3,328
Troubled debt restructurings (accruing):		
One-to-four family mortgage loans	\$ 51	\$ 310
Commercial mortgage loans	674	-
Total troubled debt restructurings (accruing)	\$ 725	\$ 310
Total troubled debt restructurings (accruing) and total non-performing assets	\$ 4,416	\$ 3,638
Total non-performing loans to gross loans	2.23%	2.31%
Total non-performing loans to total assets	1.88%	1.90%
Total non-performing assets to total assets	1.96%	1.93%
Total non-performing assets and troubled debt restructurings (accruing) to total assets	2.34%	2.12%

The cumulative amount of interest income not recognized on non-accrual loans for the years ended December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 was \$357,000 and \$278,000 respectively. For the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, interest income was negatively impacted by \$79,000 and \$55,000, respectively, as a result of nonaccrual loans not performing in accordance with their original terms. Interest income was minimally impacted by accruing troubled debt restructurings for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 with the exception of the recognition of \$95,000, related to recoveries of interest from prior periods in 2017.

Potential Problem Loans. Certain loans are identified during our loan review process that are currently performing according to their contractual terms and we expect to receive payment in full of principal and interest, but it is deemed probable that we will be unable to collect all the scheduled payments of principal or interest when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. This may result from deteriorating conditions such as cash flows, collateral values or creditworthiness of the borrower. These loans are classified as impaired but are not accounted for on a non-accrual basis.

Other potential problem loans are those loans that are currently performing, but where known information about possible credit problems of the borrowers causes us to have concerns as to the ability of such borrowers to comply with contractual loan repayment terms. At December 31, 2018, there were no other potential problem loans.

Classified Assets. The following table sets forth information regarding our classified assets, as defined under applicable regulatory standards, and our special mention assets at the dates indicated.

	At December 31,	
	2018	2017
	(In thousands)	
Special mention	\$ 3,982	\$ 255
Substandard (1)	4,180	3,260
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 8,162</u>	<u>\$ 3,515</u>

- (1) Includes one- to four-family residential real estate loans on nonaccrual status of \$2.3 million and \$2.1 million at December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, as well as consumer loans on nonaccrual status of \$1,000 and \$29,000 at December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Allowance for Loan Losses. The allowance for loan losses is maintained at levels considered adequate by management to provide for probable incurred loan losses inherent in the loan portfolio at the balance sheet reporting dates. The allowance for loan losses is based on management's assessment of various factors affecting the loan portfolio, including portfolio composition, delinquent and non-accrual loans, national and local business conditions and loss experience and an overall evaluation of the quality of the underlying collateral.

The following table sets forth activity in our allowance for loan losses for the years indicated.

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2018	2017
	(Dollars in thousands)	
Allowance for loan losses at beginning of period	\$ 1,041	\$ 821
Provision for loan losses	150	247
Charge-offs:		
One-to-four family mortgage loans	(16)	-
Commercial mortgage loans	-	-
Commercial and industrial loans	(9)	-
Consumer loans	(41)	(27)
Total charge-offs	(66)	(27)
Recoveries:		
One-to-four family mortgage loans	-	-
Commercial mortgage loans	-	-
Commercial and industrial loans	-	-
Consumer loans	-	-
Total recoveries	-	-
Net (charge-offs) recoveries	(66)	(27)
Allowance for loan losses at end of period	\$ 1,125	\$ 1,041
Allowance for loan losses to non-performing loans at end of period	31.66%	31.85%
Allowance for loan losses to total loans outstanding at end of period	0.70%	0.74%
Net charge-offs to average loans outstanding during the period	0.04%	0.02%

Allocation of Allowance for Loan Losses. The following tables set forth the allowance for loan losses allocated by loan category. The allowance for loan losses allocated to each category is not necessarily indicative of future losses in any particular category and does not restrict the use of the allowance to absorb losses in other categories.

	December 31,					
	2018			2017		
	Amount	Percent of Allowance to Total Allowance	Percent of Loans in Category to Total Loans	Amount	Percent of Allowance to Total Allowance	Percent of Loans in Category to Total Loans
	(Dollars in thousands)					
One-to-four family mortgage loans	\$ 422	38%	47%	\$ 514	49%	54%
Commercial mortgage loans	394	35	37	383	37	35
Commercial and industrial loans	264	23	12	81	8	8
Consumer loans	45	4	4	63	6	3
Total	\$ 1,125	100%	100%	\$ 1,041	100%	100%

See Notes 2 and 7 to the financial statements for a complete discussion of the allowance for loan losses. Although we believe that we use the best information available to establish the allowance for loan losses, future adjustments to the allowance for loan losses may be necessary and our results of operations could be adversely affected if circumstances differ substantially from the assumptions used in making the determinations. Furthermore, while we believe we have established our allowance for loan losses in conformity with U.S. GAAP, there can be no assurance that regulators, in reviewing our loan portfolio, will not require us to increase our allowance for loan losses. In addition, because future events affecting borrowers and collateral cannot be predicted with certainty, there can be no assurance that the existing allowance for loan losses is adequate or that increases will not be necessary should the quality of any loans deteriorate as a result of the factors discussed above. Any material increase in the allowance for loan losses may adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Securities Portfolio

The following table sets forth the amortized cost and estimated fair value of our securities portfolio at the dates indicated.

	December 31,			
	2018		2017	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
	(In thousands)			
Securities held-to-maturity:				
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	\$ 6	\$ 6	\$ 10	\$ 9
Total	<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 10</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>
Securities available-for-sale:				
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	\$ 3,883	\$ 3,865	\$ 525	\$ 519
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	1,540	1,502	1,626	1,600
Corporate bonds	3,547	3,509	301	302
U.S. treasury securities	193	192	194	195
Total	<u>\$ 9,163</u>	<u>\$ 9,068</u>	<u>\$ 2,646</u>	<u>\$ 2,616</u>

At December 31, 2018 and 2017, we had no investments in a single issuer (other than securities issued by the U.S. government and government agency), which had an aggregate book value in excess of 10% of our stockholders' equity.

Securities Portfolio Maturities and Yields. The following table sets forth the stated maturities and weighted average yields of investment securities at December 31, 2018 and 2017. Weighted-average yields on tax-exempt securities are not presented on a tax equivalent basis. Certain mortgage-backed securities have adjustable interest rates and will reprice annually within the various maturity ranges. These repricing schedules are not reflected in the table below. Weighted average yield calculations on investment securities available for sale do not give effect to changes in fair value that are reflected as a component of equity.

December 31, 2018										
One Year or Less		More than One Year to Five Years		More than Five Years to Ten Years		More than Ten Years		Total		
Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Weighted Average Yield
(Dollars in thousands)										
Securities held-to-maturity:										
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities										
\$ -		\$ 5	5.43%	\$ 1	4.13%	\$ -		\$ 6	\$ 6	5.12%
<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ 5</u>		<u>\$ 1</u>		<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ 6</u>	<u>\$ 6</u>	
Securities available-for-sale:										
U.S. treasury securities										
\$ 193	2.49%	\$ -		\$ -		\$ -		\$ 193	\$ 192	2.49%
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities										
\$ -		\$ -		\$ 64	2.61%	\$ 3,819	2.89%	3,883	3,865	2.89%
\$ 30	2.02%	\$ 575	1.90%	\$ 935	2.29%	\$ -		1,540	1,502	2.14%
\$ 200	2.04%	\$ 2,083	3.46%	\$ 1,264	3.72%	\$ -		3,547	3,509	3.47%
<u>\$ 423</u>	<u>2.25%</u>	<u>\$ 2,658</u>	<u>3.12%</u>	<u>\$ 2,263</u>	<u>3.10%</u>	<u>\$ 3,819</u>	<u>2.89%</u>	<u>\$ 9,163</u>	<u>\$ 9,068</u>	<u>2.98%</u>

December 31, 2017										
One Year or Less		More than One Year to Five Years		More than Five Years to Ten Years		More than Ten Years		Total		
Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Weighted Average Yield	Amortized Cost	Fair Value	Weighted Average Yield
(Dollars in thousands)										
Securities held-to-maturity:										
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities										
\$ -		\$ 8	5.40%	\$ 2	4.13%	\$ -		\$ 10	\$ 9	5.17%
<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ 8</u>		<u>\$ 2</u>		<u>\$ -</u>		<u>\$ 10</u>	<u>\$ 9</u>	
Securities available-for-sale:										
U.S. treasury securities										
\$ -		\$ 194	3.13%	\$ -		\$ -		\$ 194	\$ 195	3.13%
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities										
-		-		91	4.50%	434	3.25%	525	519	3.48%
\$ 85	3.69%	\$ 606	2.03%	291	2.00%	644	2.57%	1,626	1,600	2.33%
-		301	2.34%	-		-		301	302	2.33%
<u>\$ 85</u>	<u>3.69%</u>	<u>\$ 1,101</u>	<u>2.31%</u>	<u>\$ 382</u>	<u>2.59%</u>	<u>\$ 1,078</u>	<u>2.84%</u>	<u>\$ 2,646</u>	<u>\$ 2,616</u>	<u>2.61%</u>

Each reporting period, we evaluate all securities with a decline in fair value below the amortized cost of the investment to determine whether or not the impairment is deemed to be other-than-temporary. Other-than-temporary impairment (“OTTI”) is required to be recognized if (1) we intend to sell the security; (2) it is more likely than not that we will be required to sell the security before recovery of its amortized cost basis; or (3) for debt securities, the present value of expected cash flows is not sufficient to recover the entire amortized cost basis. For impaired debt securities that we intend to sell, or more likely than not will be required to sell, the full amount of the depreciation is recognized as OTTI, resulting in a realized loss that is a charged to earnings through a reduction in our non-interest income. For all other impaired debt securities, credit-related OTTI is recognized through earnings and non-credit related OTTI is recognized in other comprehensive income/loss, net of applicable taxes. We did not recognize any OTTI during the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017.

Deposits

Deposits continue to be our primary source of funds for our lending and investment activities. The majority of our deposits are from depositors who reside in our primary market area. Deposits are attracted through the offering of a broad selection of deposit instruments for both individuals and businesses. The following table sets forth the distribution of total deposits by account type at the dates indicated.

	December 31,			
	2018		2017	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
	(Dollars in thousands)			
Non-interest bearing demand accounts	\$ 5,699	4.19%	\$ 441	0.33%
Interest-bearing demand accounts	8,386	6.16%	23,168	17.49%
Money market accounts	16,021	11.77%	14,598	11.02%
Savings accounts	12,884	9.47%	12,524	9.46%
Time deposit accounts	93,119	68.42%	81,699	61.69%
Total	<u>\$ 136,109</u>		<u>\$ 132,430</u>	

The following tables indicate the amount of jumbo certificates of deposit by time remaining until maturity at December 31, 2018 and 2017. Jumbo certificates of deposit require minimum deposits of \$100,000.

Maturity Period	Amount (In thousands)
December 31, 2018:	
Three months or less	\$ 4,766
Over three through six months	7,767
Over six through twelve months	15,865
Over twelve months	52,383
Total	<u>\$ 80,781</u>
December 31, 2017:	
Three months or less	\$ 2,249
Over three through six months	2,137
Over six through twelve months	7,662
Over twelve months	56,364
Total	<u>\$ 68,412</u>

The following tables set forth time deposit accounts classified by rate and maturity at December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

December 31, 2018						
Amount Due						
	Less Than One Year	More Than One Year to Two Years	More than Two Years to Three Years	More Than Three Years	Total	Percent of Total Time Deposit Accounts
(Dollars in thousands)						
0.00 - 1.00%	\$ 583	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 583	0.63%
1.01 - 2.00%	18,345	9,527	8,186	2,171	38,229	41.05%
2.01 - 3.00%	12,334	7,931	1,840	21,623	43,728	46.96%
3.01 - 4.00%	-	3,275	1,989	5,315	10,579	11.36%
Total	\$ 31,262	\$ 20,733	\$ 12,015	\$ 29,109	\$ 93,119	

December 31, 2017						
Amount Due						
	Less Than One Year	More Than One Year to Two Years	More than Two Years to Three Years	More Than Three Years	Total	Percent of Total Time Deposit Accounts
(Dollars in thousands)						
0.00 - 1.00%	\$ 1,392	\$ 177	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,569	1.92%
1.01 - 2.00%	14,011	17,674	9,051	9,955	50,691	62.05%
2.01 - 3.00%	8	2,141	6,265	21,025	29,439	36.03%
Total	\$ 15,411	\$ 19,992	\$ 15,316	\$ 30,980	\$ 81,699	

Borrowings

We use advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh to supplement our investable funds. At December 31, 2018, we had \$91.9 million of available borrowing capacity with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh and \$31.4 million in advances outstanding. The following table sets forth information concerning our borrowings at the dates and for the years indicated.

	Year Ended December 31,	
	2018	2017
(Dollars in thousands)		
Maximum balance outstanding at any month-end during period:		
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	31,375	26,416
Average balance outstanding during period:		
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	28,355	25,531
Weighted average interest rate during period:		
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	2.47%	2.26%
Balance outstanding at end of period:		
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	31,375	26,416
Weighted average interest rate at end of period:		
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	2.70%	2.17%

Comparison of Financial Condition at December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017

Total Assets. Total assets were \$188.8 million as of December 31, 2018, an increase of \$16.9 million, or 9.8% when compared to total assets of \$172.0 million at December 31, 2017. The increase was due primarily to a \$6.5 million increase in securities available for sale and an \$18.0 million increase in loans - primarily commercial mortgages and commercial and industrial loans. The Bank borrowed an additional \$5.0 million and added \$3.7 million in deposits to fund the increase in assets.

Cash and Cash Equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents decreased \$7.4 million, or 45.2%, to \$9.0 million at December 31, 2018 from \$16.5 million at December 31, 2017. The reduction in cash was due to the withdrawal of stock subscription funds held on account at SSB Bank for the purpose of purchasing SSB Bancorp, Inc. common stock in the Reorganization.

Net Loans. Net loans increased \$18.0 million, or 12.8%, to \$158.5 million at December 31, 2018 from \$140.6 million at December 31, 2017. The change is primarily due to an increase in commercial real estate of \$9.4 million, or 18.7%, to \$59.5 million at December 31, 2018 from \$50.1 million at December 31, 2017. Commercial and industrial loans increased \$7.7 million, or 67.3%, to \$19.2 million at December 31, 2018 from \$11.5 million at December 31, 2017. One-to-four family mortgages remained relatively flat year over year. Consumer loans increased \$1.4 million, or 34.6%, to \$5.4 million at December 31, 2018 from \$4.0 million at December 31, 2017.

During the year, the volumes in originations were as follows: \$18.6 million in one- to four-family mortgages, an increase of \$1.3 million over the \$17.3 million originated in 2017; \$12.0 million in commercial mortgages, a decrease of \$12.8 million from the \$24.8 originated in 2017; \$9.0 million in construction loans, an increase of \$2.6 million over the \$6.4 million originated in 2017. Originations of commercial and industrial, and consumer loans increased \$7.9 million as compared to the prior year.

Loans purchased during 2018 were \$3.9 million in one-to-four family, a decrease of \$2.8 million or 41.5% as compared to 2017; there were no commercial mortgages purchased in 2018 or 2017. Construction loans purchased were \$1.9 million, a decrease of \$3.6 million or 65.3% as compared to 2017. This decrease is due to our strategy to originate more loans as opposed to purchasing loans.

\$12.6 million in loans that were reported as held for sale at December 31, 2016 were transferred to loans held for investment in 2017. SSB sold loans in the amount of \$9.7 million, a decrease of \$11.8 million or 55.0% as compared to \$21.5 million in 2017. Most of the difference is due to a \$6.9 million pool of seasoned loans sold in 2017.

The largest increase in our loan portfolio commercial and industrial loan portfolio. This growth reflects our strategy to invest in higher yielding adjustable rate loans to improve net margins and manage interest rate risk. We continue to sell selected, conforming 15-year and 30-year fixed rate mortgage loans to the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh on a servicing retained basis through its mortgage purchase program.

Loans Held for Sale. There were no loans held for sale at December 31, 2018 or 2017. The loans that were held-for-sale at year end 2016 totaled \$19.9 million. In June 2017, \$6.9 million of one – to – four family mortgages were sold and the remaining held for sale portfolio was reclassified to held for investment. The decision to reclassify the loans as being held for investment was made as there was less demand for one-to-four family and commercial mortgage loans on the secondary market.

Available for Sale Securities. Available for sale securities decreased by approximately \$6.5 million, or 246.6%, to \$9.1 million at December 31, 2018 from \$2.6 million at December 31, 2017. The increase is due to management efforts to increase liquidity through the purchase of available for sale securities. The increases were mostly due to a \$3.3 million increase in mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities and a \$3.2 million increase in corporate bonds. There were slight decreases in obligations of state and political subdivisions and U.S. treasuries.

Deposits. Deposits increased \$3.7 million, or 2.8%, to \$136.1 million at December 31, 2018 from \$132.4 million at December 31, 2017. Core deposits decreased \$7.7 million, or 15.3%, to \$43.0 million at December 31, 2018 from \$50.7 million at December 31, 2017. The primary reason for the decrease was loss \$10.1 million in Business Demand Deposits for the purpose of buying stock of SSB Bancorp in the offering completed in January 2018. Time deposits increased \$11.4 million, or 14.0%, to \$93.1 million at December 31, 2018 from \$81.7 million at December 31, 2017. The increase in time deposits was primarily due to an increase in deposits obtained through brokers and listing services in order to fund the increase in loans and investments.

Stockholders' Equity. Stockholders' equity increased \$8.2 or 67.8% to \$20.3 million at December 31, 2018 from \$12.1 million at December 31, 2017. The majority is due to \$8.7 million in paid-in capital that was received as a result of the Reorganization completed in January 2018. Consolidated net income was \$380,000 for the year 2018, increasing retained earnings by 3.1%. This was partially offset by other comprehensive loss of \$51,000 related to net changes in unrealized gains/losses in the available-for-sale securities portfolio as well as \$837,000 in unearned employee stock ownership plan that did not exist at December 31, 2017.

Comparison of Results of Operations for the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017

Net Income. Net income decreased \$209,000, or 35.4%, to \$380,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$589,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017. This increase was due to a \$971,000 increase, or 32.2%, in noninterest expense to \$4.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$3.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. Noninterest income dropped by \$67,000, or 12.7%, to \$460,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018, from \$527,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017. Offsetting these effects was an increase in net interest income of \$211,000, or 5.4%, to \$4.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, from \$3.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2017.

Interest and Dividend Income. Interest and dividend income increased \$795,000, or 12.8%, to \$7.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$6.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. This increase was due to an increase of \$624,000, or 10.4%, in interest on loans to \$6.6 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, from \$6.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. The increased interest is due to a \$15.6 million increase in average total loans for the year ended December 31, 2018. Also, the weighted average yield on the loan portfolio was 4.41% for the year ended December 31, 2018 compared to 4.39% for the year ended December 31, 2017. Aside from loan growth, there was a \$37,000 increase in income from interest-bearing deposits to \$83,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$46,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017. There was also a \$143,000 increase in income from investment securities to \$286,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$144,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017. The increase in income from investment securities is due to the increase in the average investment securities of \$1.9 million to \$4.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, from \$3.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. The average yield of the portfolio also increased to 2.82% for the year ended December 31, 2018, from 2.14% for the year ended December 31, 2017. These increases were slightly offset by a decrease in income from certificates of deposit of \$8,000 to \$15,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$23,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017.

Average interest-earning assets increased \$19.4 million, from \$146.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2017 to \$165.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, while the yield on the interest earning-assets increased 5 basis points, from 4.20% to 4.25% when comparing the two periods.

Interest Expense. Total interest expense increased \$583,000, or 25.2%, to \$2.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$2.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. Interest expense on deposit accounts increased \$427,000, or 24.1%, to \$2.2 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$1.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. The increase was primarily due to an increase in the average balance of interest-bearing deposits from \$115.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2017 to \$119.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2018; an increase of \$4.4 million or 3.8%. This was accompanied by a 30 basis point increase in the weighted average cost from 1.54% to 1.84%. There was a reclassification of a business checking account type from interest-bearing demand accounts to noninterest-bearing demand accounts. At year end, the amount reclassified from interest-bearing demand to noninterest-bearing demand totaled \$8.7 million.

Interest expense on Federal Home Loan Bank advances increased \$156,000, or 28.7%, to \$700,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$544,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017. The average balance increased from \$25.5 million to \$28.4 million when comparing the two periods. The increase in the average balance of advances is due to management utilizing advances as a funding source for loan originations and investment purchases. The cost of the advances also increased by 34 basis points from 2.13% for the year ended December 31, 2017, to 2.47% for the year ended December 31, 2018.

Net Interest Income. Net interest income increased \$211,000, or 5.4%, to \$4.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$3.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. This increase was due to an increase in our average net loans of \$15.6 million to \$150.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2018, from \$134.8 million for year ended December 31, 2017. Average interest earning assets increased by \$19.4 million when comparing the two periods, while average interest-bearing liabilities increased by only \$7.2 million (\$12.4 million without the reclassification noted above) over the same two periods. Offsetting this increase, the yield of interest earning assets increased by 5 basis points when comparing the two periods, while the cost of interest-bearing liabilities increased by 32 basis points over the two periods.

Provision for Loan Losses. Based on management's analysis of the allowance for loan losses, we recorded a provision for loan losses of \$150,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 compared to a provision of \$247,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017. The decrease in the provision for the year ended December 31, 2018 was primarily due to changes in FAS 5 qualitative factors used when calculating the allowance for loan losses.

Non-Interest Income. Non-interest income decreased \$67,000 to \$460,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 compared to \$527,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017. Gains on the sale of loans decreased by \$165,000 to \$182,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$348,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017. Offsetting this decrease was an increase in loan servicing fees of \$47,000, or 48.4%, to \$143,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$97,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017, reflecting sales of loans with servicing rights retained. Earnings on bank-owned life insurance increased by \$19,000 and other noninterest income increased by \$34,000 further offsetting the decrease in gain on sale of loans.

Non-Interest Expense. Non-interest expense increased \$970,000, or 32.2%, to \$4.0 million for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$3.0 for the year ended December 31, 2017. The increase was due primarily to a \$341,000 or 94.9% increase in professional fees, a \$281,000 or 19.3% increase in salary and employee benefits, a 114,000 or 43.6% increase in occupancy, a \$53,000 or 60.1% increase in director fees, a \$51,000 or 18.0% increase in data processing a \$31,000 or 24.5% increase in federal deposit insurance, a \$15,000 or 27.5% increase contributions and donations, and an \$85,000 increase in other noninterest expenses. Noninterest expense has been driven up by additional costs associated with the growth of the institution.

Income Taxes. The income tax provision decreased by \$521,000, or 89.2%, to \$63,000 for the year ended December 31, 2018 from \$584,000 for the year ended December 31, 2017. The effective tax rate was 14.2% for the year ended December 31, 2018 and 49.8% for the year ended December 31, 2017. The decrease in tax expense was primarily due to the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act which caused us to write down our net deferred tax asset by \$203,000 as of the enactment date of December 22, 2017, as well as lowered the federal corporate tax rate in 2018. Additionally, the decrease in net income for the year ended December 31, 2018, when compared to the year ended December 31, 2017, contributed to the decrease in income taxes.

Revision of Prior Period Financial Statements

During the 4th quarter of 2018, the Company identified and corrected an error related to its accounting treatment of accrued interest on investor sold loans and loan participations affecting 2nd and 3rd quarters of 2018. Prior period accrued interest receivable accounts were overstated at June 30, 2018, and September 30, 2018, by \$140,000 and \$335,000, respectively. The Company was able to identify the sources of the issues and it resulted in the Company correcting interest income and provision for income taxes for the 2nd and 3rd quarters of 2018. On the corresponding balance sheet, the Company's accrued interest receivable and income taxes receivable was understated. The net effect was an overstatement of total assets and total liabilities and stockholders' equity at June 30, 2018 and September 30, 2018.

The Company has evaluated the effects of this error and concluded that they are immaterial to the two quarters affected. Since the errors happened in the 2nd and 3rd quarters of 2018, the Company has revised its financial statements as of and for the six months and three months ended June 30, 2018 and as of and for the nine months and three months ended September 30, 2018. The tables below show the originally reported and revised income and balance sheet information.

	At or For the Three Months Ended June 30, 2018		At or For the Six Months Ended June 30, 2018	
	As Previously Reported	As Revised	As Previously Reported	As Revised
(In thousands)				
Statement of income information:				
Interest income from loans, including fees	\$ 1,719	\$ 1,519	\$ 3,288	\$ 3,088
Total interest income	\$ 1,799	\$ 1,599	\$ 3,434	\$ 3,233
Net interest income	\$ 1,138	\$ 938	\$ 2,150	\$ 1,948
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	\$ 1,113	\$ 913	\$ 2,085	\$ 1,885
Income before income taxes	\$ 248	\$ 51	\$ 305	\$ 188
Provision for income taxes	\$ 34	\$ (23)	\$ 44	\$ 10
Net income	\$ 214	\$ 74	\$ 261	\$ 178
Balance sheet information:				
Accrued interest receivable	\$ 612	\$ 472	\$ 612	\$ 472
Other assets	\$ 844	\$ 908	\$ 844	\$ 908
Total assets	\$ 172,583	\$ 172,511	\$ 172,583	\$ 172,511
Retained earnings	\$ 12,396	\$ 12,313	\$ 12,396	\$ 12,313
Total net worth	\$ 20,271	\$ 16,540	\$ 20,271	\$ 16,540
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 172,583	\$ 172,511	\$ 172,583	\$ 172,511

	At or For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2018		At or For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2018	
	As Previously Reported	As Revised	As Previously Reported	As Revised
(In thousands)				
Statement of income information:				
Interest income from loans, including fees	\$ 1,818	\$ 1,683	\$ 5,106	\$ 4,771
Total interest income	\$ 1,923	\$ 1,788	\$ 5,356	\$ 5,021
Net interest income	\$ 1,167	\$ 1,033	\$ 3,318	\$ 2,983
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	\$ 1,117	\$ 983	\$ 3,203	\$ 2,868
Income before income taxes	\$ 247	\$ 117	\$ 552	\$ 305
Provision for income taxes	\$ 58	\$ 31	\$ 102	\$ 40
Net income	\$ 189	\$ 86	\$ 450	\$ 264
Balance sheet information:				
Accrued interest receivable	\$ 892	\$ 557	\$ 892	\$ 557
Other assets	\$ 894	\$ 981	\$ 894	\$ 981
Total assets	\$ 183,770	\$ 183,543	\$ 183,770	\$ 183,543
Retained earnings	\$ 12,586	\$ 12,400	\$ 12,586	\$ 12,400
Total net worth	\$ 20,351	\$ 16,570	\$ 20,351	\$ 16,570
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 183,770	\$ 183,543	\$ 183,770	\$ 183,543

Average Balance Sheet

The following tables present information regarding average balances of assets and liabilities, the total dollar amounts of interest income from average interest-earning assets, the total dollar amounts of interest expense on average interest-bearing liabilities, and the resulting annualized average yields and costs. The yields and costs for the periods indicated are derived by dividing income or expense by the average balances of assets or liabilities, respectively, for the periods presented. Average balances have been calculated using daily balances. Nonaccrual loans are included in average balances only. Loan fees are included in interest income on loans and are not material. Yields on tax exempt investment securities are not presented on a tax equivalent basis. Any adjustments necessary to present such yields on a tax equivalent basis are insignificant.

	Year Ended December 31,					
	2018			2017		
	Average Balance	Interest and Dividends	Yield/Cost	Average Balance	Interest and Dividends	Yield/Cost
(Dollars in thousands)						
Assets:						
Interest-bearing deposits	\$ 6,770	\$ 83	1.23%	\$ 5,176	\$ 46	0.90%
Net Loans and Loans Held for Sale (1)(5)(6)	150,377	6,634	4.41	134,799	5,915	4.39
Investment securities	4,866	137	2.82	2,992	64	2.14
Other interest-earning assets (2)	3,306	164	4.96	2,999	103	3.43
Total interest-earning assets	165,319	7,018	4.25	145,966	6,128	4.20
Non-interest-earning assets	10,588			8,688		
Total assets	<u>\$ 175,907</u>			<u>\$ 154,654</u>		
Liabilities and equity:						
Interest-bearing demand accounts	\$ 7,211	\$ 70	0.97	\$ 13,717	\$ 95	0.69
Money market accounts	14,581	200	1.37	14,374	137	0.95
Savings accounts	13,128	166	1.27	12,096	131	1.08
Certificate of deposit	84,852	1,764	2.08	75,208	1,409	1.87
Total interest-bearing deposits	119,772	2,200	1.84	115,395	1,772	1.54
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	28,355	700	2.47	25,531	544	2.13
Other interest-bearing liabilities						
Total interest-bearing liabilities	148,127	2,900	1.96	140,926	2,316	1.64
Non-interest-bearing deposits	7,161			368		
Other non-interest-bearing liabilities	917			1,315		
Total Liabilities	<u>156,205</u>			<u>142,609</u>		
Total net worth	19,702			12,045		
Total liabilities and net worth	<u>\$ 175,907</u>			<u>\$ 154,654</u>		
Net interest income		4,118			3,812	
Add: Out-of-period recoveries of loan interest (1)		-			95	
Net interest income per Statements of Net Income		<u>\$ 4,118</u>			<u>\$ 3,907</u>	
Net Interest Earning Assets (3)	<u>\$ 17,192</u>			<u>\$ 5,040</u>		
Interest rate spread (4)			2.29%			2.56%
Net interest margin (5)			2.49%			2.61%
Average interest-earning assets to average interest-bearing liabilities			111.61%			103.58%

(1) Included in interest on loans and loans held for sale for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 are loan fees of \$67,000 and \$62,000, respectively. Excluded from interest on loans and loans held for sale for the years ended December 31, 2017 are recoveries of interest on an impaired loan that relate to prior periods of \$95,000.

(2) Dividends on FHLB stock are included in dividends on other interest-earning assets.

(3) Represents total average interest-earnings assets less total average interest-bearing liabilities.

(4) Represents the difference between the weighted-average yield on average interest-earning assets and the weighted-average cost of average interest-bearing liabilities.

(5) Represents net interest income, excluding out of period recoveries of loan interest, as a percent of average interest-earning assets.

(6) Loans do not include the allowance for loan losses.



Rate/Volume Analysis

The following table sets forth the effects of changing rates and volumes on net interest income. The rate column shows the effects attributable to changes in rate (changes in rate multiplied by prior volume). The volume column shows the effects attributable to changes in volume (changes in volume multiplied by prior rate). The net column represents the sum of the prior columns. Changes attributable to changes in both rate and volume that cannot be segregated have been allocated proportionally based on the changes due to rate and the changes due to volume. Changes exclude recoveries of loan interest amounts that relate to prior periods.

	Year Ended December 31, 2018 Compared to Year Ended December 31, 2017		
	Increase (Decrease) Due To		
	Volume	Rate	Net
	(In thousands)		
Interest income:			
Interest-bearing deposits	\$ 14	\$ 23	\$ 37
Loans receivable	687	32	719
Investment securities	40	33	73
Other interest-earning assets	11	50	61
Total interest-earning assets	<u>\$ 752</u>	<u>\$ 138</u>	<u>\$ 890</u>
Interest expense:			
Deposits	\$ 147	\$ 281	\$ 428
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	60	96	156
Total interest-bearing liabilities	<u>\$ 207</u>	<u>\$ 377</u>	<u>\$ 584</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net interest income	<u>\$ 545</u>	<u>\$ (239)</u>	<u>\$ 306</u>

Management of Market Risk

General. Our most significant form of market risk is interest rate risk because, as a financial institution, the majority of our assets and liabilities are sensitive to changes in interest rates. Therefore, a principal part of our operations is to manage interest rate risk and limit the exposure of our financial condition and results of operations to changes in market interest rates. Our Asset/Liability Management Committee is responsible for evaluating the interest rate risk inherent in our assets and liabilities, for determining the level of risk that is appropriate, given our business strategy, operating environment, capital, liquidity and performance objectives, and for managing this risk consistent with the policy and guidelines approved by our board of directors. We currently utilize a third-party modeling program, prepared on a quarterly basis, to evaluate our sensitivity to changing interest rates, given our business strategy, operating environment, capital, liquidity and performance objectives, and for managing this risk consistent with the guidelines approved by the board of directors.

Our interest rate risk profile is considered liability-sensitive, which means that if interest rates rise our deposits and other interest-bearing liabilities would be expected to reprice to higher interest rates faster than would our loans and other interest-earning assets. We have sought to manage our interest rate risk in order to minimize the exposure of our earnings and capital to changes in interest rates. In recent years, we have implemented the following strategies to manage our interest rate risk:

- increasing lower cost core deposits and limiting our reliance on higher cost funding sources, such as time deposits; and
- diversifying our loan portfolio by adding more commercial-related loans, which typically have shorter maturities and/or balloon payments, and selling one- to four-family residential mortgage loans, which have fixed interest rates and longer terms.

By following these strategies, we believe that we are better positioned to react to increases in market interest rates.

We do not engage in hedging activities, such as engaging in futures, options or swap transactions, or investing in high-risk mortgage derivatives, such as collateralized mortgage obligation residual interests, real estate mortgage investment conduit residual interests or stripped mortgage backed securities.

Economic Value of Equity. We analyze our sensitivity to changes in interest rates through an economic value of equity ("EVE") model. EVE represents the difference between the present value of assets and the present value of liabilities. The EVE ratio represents the dollar amount of our EVE divided by the present value of our total assets for a given interest rate scenario. EVE attempts to quantify our economic value using a discounted cash flow methodology while the EVE ratio reflects that value as a form of capital ratio. We estimate what our EVE would be at a specific date. We then calculate what the EVE would be at the same date throughout a series of interest rate scenarios representing immediate and permanent, parallel shifts in the yield curve. We currently calculate EVE under the assumptions that interest rates increase 100, 200, 300 and 400 basis points from current market rates and that interest rates decrease 100 basis points from current market rates.

The following table presents the estimated changes in our EVE that would result from changes in market interest rates at December 31, 2018. All estimated changes presented in the table are within the policy limits approved by our board of trustees.

Basis Point ("bp") Change in Interest Rates (1)	Estimated Increase (Decrease) in EVE			EVE as Percent of Economic Value of Assets	
	Estimated EVE	Dollar Change	Percent Change	EVE Ratio (2)	Change
	(Dollars in thousands)				
+400bp	\$ 13,278	\$ (8,147)	(38.03)%	7.96%	(3.35)%
+300bp	14,907	(6,518)	(30.42)%	8.68%	(2.64)%
+200bp	17,067	(4,358)	(20.34)%	9.62%	(1.70)%
+100bp	19,378	(2,047)	(9.55)%	10.57%	(0.75)%
0	21,425	-	0.00%	11.32%	0.00%
-100bp	21,930	505	2.36%	11.33%	0.02%

(1) Assumes instantaneous parallel changes in interest rates.

(2) EVE ratio represents the EVE divided by the economic value of assets.

Certain shortcomings are inherent in the methodologies used in the above interest rate risk measurements. Modeling changes requires making certain assumptions that may or may not reflect the manner in which actual yields and costs respond to changes in market interest rates. The above table assumes that the composition of our interest-sensitive assets and liabilities existing at the date indicated remains constant uniformly across the yield curve regardless of the duration or repricing of specific assets and liabilities. Accordingly, although the table provides an indication of our interest rate risk exposure at a particular point in time, such measurements are not intended to and do not provide a precise forecast of the effect of changes in market interest rates on our EVE and will differ from actual results.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Liquidity. Liquidity is the ability to meet current and future financial obligations of a short-term nature that arise in the ordinary course of business. Liquidity is primarily needed to meet the borrowing and deposit withdrawal requirements of our customers and to fund investing activities and current and planned expenditures. Our primary sources of funds are deposits, principal and interest payments on loans and securities, proceeds from the sale of loans, and advances from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh. While maturities and scheduled amortization of loans and securities are predictable sources of funds, deposit flows and loan prepayments are greatly influenced by general interest rates, economic conditions, and competition. Our most liquid assets are cash and short-term investments including interest-bearing deposits in other financial institutions. The levels of these assets are dependent on our operating, financing, lending, and investing activities during any given period. At December 31, 2018, we had \$9.0 million of cash and cash equivalents and we had \$31.4 million in outstanding borrowings from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh with \$91.9 million of available borrowing capacity.

At December 31, 2018, we had \$12.6 million of loan commitments outstanding, which includes \$3.7 million of undisbursed construction funds, and \$6.0 million of unused lines of credit. We have no other material commitments or demands that are likely to affect our liquidity. If loan demand was to increase faster than expected, or any unforeseen demand or commitment was to occur, we could access our borrowing capacity with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh.

Time deposits due within one year of December 31, 2018 totaled \$31.3 million. If these deposits do not remain with us, we will be required to seek other sources of funds, including other time deposits and Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh advances. Depending on market conditions, we may be required to pay higher rates on such deposits or other borrowings than we paid on time deposits at December 31, 2018. We believe, however, based on past experience that a significant portion of our time deposits will remain with us. We have the ability to attract and retain deposits by adjusting the interest rates offered.

SSB Bancorp, Inc. is a separate legal entity from SSB Bank and must provide for its own liquidity to pay any dividends to its stockholders and for other corporate purposes. SSB Bancorp, Inc.'s primary source of liquidity is dividend payments it may receive from SSB Bank. SSB Bank's ability to pay dividends to SSB Bancorp, Inc. is governed by applicable laws and regulations. At December 31, 2018, SSB Bancorp, Inc. (on an unconsolidated basis) had liquid assets of \$3.5 million.

Capital Resources. At December 31, 2018, SSB Bank exceeded all regulatory capital requirements and it was categorized as "well capitalized." We are not aware of any conditions or events since the most recent notification that would change our category. See Note 13 of the financial statements for additional information.

Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements

We are a party to financial instruments with off-balance sheet risk in the normal course of business to meet the financing needs of our customers. These financial instruments include commitments to extend credit and unused lines of credit, which involve elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized in the balance sheets. Our exposure to credit loss is represented by the contractual amount of the instruments. We use the same credit policies in making commitments as we do for on-balance sheet instruments. See Note 15 to the financial statements for additional information.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Refer to Note 2 of the Notes to Financial Statements for a description of recent accounting pronouncements that may affect our financial condition and results of operations.

Impact of Inflation and Changing Price

The financial statements and related data presented herein have been prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, which requires the measurement of financial position and operating results in terms of historical dollars without considering changes in the relative purchasing power of money over time due to inflation. The primary impact of inflation on our operations is reflected in increased operating costs. Unlike most industrial companies, virtually all of the assets and liabilities of a financial institution are monetary in nature. As a result, interest rates, generally, have a more significant impact on a financial institution's performance than does inflation. Interest rates do not necessarily move in the same direction or to the same extent as the prices of goods and services.

ITEM 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

See “Management of Market Risk” under Item 7.

ITEM 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

Supplementary Data is not applicable, as SSB Bancorp, Inc. is a “smaller reporting company.”

SSB Bancorp, Inc.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and the Board of Directors of SSB Bancorp, Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of SSB Bancorp, Inc. and subsidiary (the Company) as of December 31, 2018, the related consolidated statements of net income, comprehensive income, change in stockholders' equity and cash flows, for the year then ended, and the related notes (collectively, the financial statements). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2018, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (PCAOB) and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audit we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ Zeno, Pockl, Lilly and Copeland, A.C.

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2018.

Wheeling, West Virginia
March 29, 2019

SSB Bancorp, Inc.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
ASSETS		
Cash and due from banks	\$ 2,428,542	\$ 2,558,134
Interest-bearing deposits with other financial institutions	6,605,528	13,919,932
Cash and cash equivalents	9,034,070	16,478,066
Certificates of deposit	846,000	943,000
Securities available for sale	9,068,101	2,616,350
Securities held to maturity (fair value of \$6,478, and \$9,494, respectively)	6,394	9,797
Loans	159,654,582	141,615,982
Allowance for loan losses	(1,124,925)	(1,041,445)
Net loans	158,529,657	140,574,537
Accrued interest receivable	639,474	476,417
Federal Home Loan Bank stock, at cost	2,651,400	2,162,600
Premises and equipment, net	4,335,514	4,358,006
Bank-owned life insurance	2,429,014	2,358,519
Deferred tax asset, net	312,623	328,169
Prepaid reorganization and stock issuance costs	-	837,944
Other assets	940,098	762,086
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 188,792,345	\$ 171,905,491
LIABILITIES		
Deposits:		
Noninterest-bearing demand	\$ 5,698,782	\$ 440,871
Interest-bearing demand	8,386,431	23,167,923
Money market	16,020,446	14,597,811
Savings	12,883,970	12,524,304
Time	93,119,137	81,699,115
Total deposits	136,108,766	132,430,024
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	31,374,500	26,416,200
Advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance	685,195	688,451
Accrued interest payable	255,486	206,597
Other liabilities	49,311	52,621
TOTAL LIABILITIES	168,473,258	159,793,893
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Preferred Stock: \$0.01 par value per share: 5,000,000 shares authorized and no shares issued or outstanding	-	-
Common Stock: 20,000,000 shares authorized and 2,248,250 shares issued and outstanding at \$0.01 par value	22,483	-
Paid-in capital	8,692,971	-
Retained earnings	12,515,501	12,135,085
Unearned Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP)	(837,245)	-
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(74,623)	(23,487)
TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	20,319,087	12,111,598
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 188,792,345	\$ 171,905,491

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

SSB Bancorp, Inc.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET INCOME

	Years ended December 31,	
	2018	2017
INTEREST INCOME		
Loans, including fees	\$ 6,634,017	\$ 6,010,306
Interest-bearing deposits with other financial institutions	83,195	46,443
Certificates of deposit	14,783	23,189
Investment securities:	-	-
Taxable	252,895	106,867
Exempt from federal income tax	33,298	36,747
Total interest income	<u>7,018,188</u>	<u>6,223,552</u>
INTEREST EXPENSE		
Deposits	2,199,932	1,772,755
Federal Home Loan Bank advances	700,026	543,722
Total interest expense	<u>2,899,958</u>	<u>2,316,477</u>
NET INTEREST INCOME	4,118,230	3,907,075
Provision for loan losses	150,000	247,042
NET INTEREST INCOME AFTER PROVISION FOR LOAN LOSSES	<u>3,968,230</u>	<u>3,660,033</u>
NONINTEREST INCOME		
Securities gains, net	-	547
Provision for loss on loans held for sale	-	-
Gain on sale of loans	182,175	347,617
Loan servicing fees	143,236	96,503
Earnings on bank-owned life insurance	70,495	51,612
Other	64,370	30,848
Total noninterest income	<u>460,276</u>	<u>527,127</u>
NONINTEREST EXPENSE		
Salaries and employee benefits	1,733,102	1,452,447
Occupancy	375,251	261,360
Professional fees	700,927	359,602
Federal deposit insurance	157,500	126,500
Data processing	331,556	280,947
Director fees	139,570	86,748
Contributions and donations	71,257	55,902
Other	475,663	390,477
Total noninterest expense	<u>3,984,826</u>	<u>3,013,983</u>
Income before income taxes	443,680	1,173,177
Provision for income taxes	63,264	584,079
NET INCOME	<u>\$ 380,416</u>	<u>\$ 589,098</u>
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE		
Basic	\$ 0.18	\$ N/A
Diluted	<u>\$ 0.18</u>	<u>\$ N/A</u>
AVERAGE COMMON SHARES OUTSTANDING		
Basic	2,162,322	N/A
Diluted	<u>2,162,322</u>	<u>N/A</u>
DIVIDENDS DECLARED PER COMMON SHARE	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ N/A</u>
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	<u>\$ 329,280</u>	<u>\$ 616,859</u>

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

SSB Bancorp, Inc.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Years ended December 31,	
	2018	2017
Net income	\$ 380,416	\$ 589,098
Other comprehensive income (loss):		
Net change in unrealized gain (loss) on available-for-sale securities	(65,130)	42,617
Income tax effect	13,994	(14,493)
Reclassification adjustment for net securities (gains) losses recognized in income	-	(547)
Income tax effect included in provision for income taxes	-	184
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	(51,136)	27,761
Total comprehensive income	\$ 329,280	\$ 616,859

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

SSB Bancorp, Inc.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

	Common Stock	Paid-in capital	Retained earnings	Unearned Employee Stock Ownership Plan	Accumulated other comprehensive loss	Total
Balance as of January 1, 2017	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,542,127	\$ -	\$ (47,388)	\$ 11,494,739
Reclassification of certain income tax effects from accumulated other comprehensive loss	-	-	3,860	-	(3,860)	-
Net income	-	-	589,098	-	-	589,098
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	27,761	27,761
Balance as of January 1, 2018	-	-	12,135,085	-	(23,487)	12,111,598
Net income	-	-	380,416	-	-	380,416
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	-	(51,136)	(51,136)
Net proceeds from stock offering (2,248,250 shares issued)	22,483	8,696,044	-	-	-	8,718,527
Purchase of ESOP shares (88,131 shares purchased)	-	-	-	(881,310)	-	(881,310)
Amortization of ESOP	-	(3,073)	-	44,065	-	40,992
Balance as of December 31, 2018	<u>\$ 22,483</u>	<u>\$ 8,692,971</u>	<u>\$ 12,515,501</u>	<u>\$ (837,245)</u>	<u>\$ (74,623)</u>	<u>\$ 20,319,087</u>

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

SSB Bancorp, Inc.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Years ended December 31,	
	2018	2017
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Net income	\$ 380,416	\$ 589,098
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Provision for loan losses	150,000	247,042
Depreciation	156,968	57,753
Net amortization of investment securities	19,398	11,416
Origination of loans held for sale	(9,542,543)	(14,467,060)
Proceeds from sale of loans	9,724,718	14,814,677
Gain on sale of loans	(182,175)	(347,617)
Deferred income tax provision (benefit)	(15,546)	255,291
Investment securities gains, net	-	(547)
Increase in accrued interest receivable	(163,057)	(63,362)
Decrease in accrued interest payable	48,889	39,170
Amortization of ESOP	40,992	-
Increase in bank owned life insurance	(70,495)	(51,612)
Other, net	(58,068)	(329,148)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>489,497</u>	<u>755,101</u>
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of certificates of deposit	(248,000)	-
Redemption of certificates of deposit	345,000	447,000
Investment securities available for sale:		
Purchases	(6,900,211)	-
Proceeds from sales	-	314,190
Proceeds from principal repayments, calls, and maturities	363,932	327,068
Investment securities held to maturity:		
Proceeds from principal repayments, calls, and maturities	3,403	4,333
Redemption of Federal Home Loan Bank stock	182,000	254,000
Purchase of Federal Home Loan Bank stock	(670,800)	(1,067,300)
Purchases of loans	(5,841,464)	(12,213,156)
Increase in loans receivable, net	(12,341,824)	(11,854,375)
Proceeds from sale of portfolio loans	-	6,934,868
Proceeds from sale of other real estate owned	-	-
Purchases of premises and equipment	(134,476)	(2,738,553)
Proceeds from sale of premise and equipment	-	2,000
Purchase of bank-owned life insurance	-	(750,000)
Net cash (used for) provided by investing activities	<u>(25,242,440)</u>	<u>(20,339,925)</u>
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Increase in deposits, net	3,678,742	23,059,140
Decrease in advances by borrowers for taxes and insurance	(3,256)	(281,485)
Net proceeds from stock offering	8,718,527	-
Purchase of ESOP shares	(881,310)	-
Repayment of Federal Home Loan Bank advance	(9,291,700)	(2,000,000)
Proceeds from Federal Home Loan Bank advances	14,250,000	9,291,700
Decrease (increase) in prepaid reorganization and stock issuance costs	837,944	(837,944)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>17,308,947</u>	<u>29,231,411</u>
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(7,443,996)	9,646,587
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	<u>16,478,066</u>	<u>6,831,479</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF PERIOD	<u>\$ 9,034,070</u>	<u>\$ 16,478,066</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW DISCLOSURES		
Cash paid during the year for:		
Interest	\$ 2,851,069	\$ 2,277,307

Income taxes	117,368	766,917
Noncash investing activities:		
Loans held for sale transferred to loans held for investment	-	12,556,452

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

SSB Bancorp, Inc.
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

SSB Bancorp, Inc.

SSB Bancorp, Inc. was incorporated on August 17, 2017 to serve as the subsidiary stock holding company for SSB Bank upon the reorganization of SSB Bank into a mutual holding company structure (the "Reorganization"). The Reorganization was completed effective January 24, 2018, with SSB Bank becoming the wholly-owned subsidiary of SSB Bancorp, Inc., and SSB Bancorp, Inc. becoming the majority-owned subsidiary of SSB Bancorp, MHC. In connection with the Reorganization, SSB Bancorp, Inc. sold 1,011,712 shares of common stock at an offering price of \$10 per share. The common stock is quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol "SSBP". Also, in connection with the Reorganization, SSB Bank established an employee stock ownership plan (the "ESOP"), which purchased 88,131 shares of common stock at a price of \$10 per share. In the Reorganization SSB Bancorp, Inc. also issued 1,236,538 shares of its common stock to SSB Bancorp, MHC.

SSB Bank

SSB Bank (the "Bank") provides a variety of financial services to individuals and corporate customers through its offices in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The Bank's primary deposit products are passbook savings accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit. Its primary lending products are commercial mortgage loan and single-family residential loans. The Bank is subject to regulation and supervision by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of SSB Bancorp, Inc. and SSB Bank (collectively, the "Company"). All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

Financial information for the periods before the Reorganization on January 24, 2018 is that of SSB Bank only.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the balance sheet and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Material estimates that are particularly susceptible to significant change relate to the determination of the allowance for loan losses and the valuation of the deferred tax assets.

In connection with the determination of the allowance for loan losses, management periodically obtains independent appraisals for significant properties. A majority of the Bank's loan portfolio consists of commercial mortgage loans and single-family residential loans in the Pittsburgh area. Real estate prices in this market have been generally stable; however, the ultimate collectability of the Bank's loan portfolio is susceptible to changes in local market conditions. While management currently uses available information to recognize losses on loans and foreclosed real estate, future additions to the allowance may be necessary based on changes in local economic conditions. In addition, regulatory agencies, as an integral part of their examination process, periodically review the Bank's allowance for losses on loans. Such agencies may require the Bank to recognize additions to the allowance based on their judgments about information available to them at the time of their examination. Because of these factors, it is reasonably possible that the allowance for loan losses may change materially in the near term.

In connection with deferred tax assets, the Bank uses an estimate of future earnings to support the position that the benefit of deferred tax assets will be realized. If future income should prove non-existent or less than the amount of the deferred tax assets within the tax years to which they may be applied, the asset may not be realized and the Bank's net income will be reduced.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

The majority of the loans and commitments to extend credit have been granted to customers in the Pittsburgh market and surrounding communities. The Bank does not have any significant concentrations in any one industry or customer. Although the Bank has a diversified loan portfolio at December 31, 2018 and 2017, its debtors' ability to honor their contracts is influenced by the region's economy.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Bank considers all cash and amounts due from banks and interest-bearing deposits with other financial institutions with original maturities of 90 days or less to be cash equivalents for purposes of the statements of cash flows. From time to time, the Bank may invest funds with other financial institutions through certificates of deposit. Certificates of deposit are carried at cost and have original maturities of greater than ninety days.

Investment and Mortgage-Backed Securities

Investment and mortgage-backed securities are classified at the time of purchase, based upon management's intentions and ability, as securities held to maturity or securities available for sale. Debt securities, including mortgage-backed securities acquired with the intent and ability to hold to maturity are stated at cost adjusted for the amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts, which are computed using the level yield interest method and recognized as adjustments of interest income over the contractual terms of the securities. Unrealized holding gains and losses for available-for-sale securities are reported as a separate component of net worth, net of tax, until realized. Realized securities gains and losses are recognized on the trade date and computed using the specific identification method. Interest and dividends on investment securities are recognized as income when earned.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Investment and Mortgage-Backed Securities (continued)

Securities are periodically reviewed for other-than-temporary impairment based upon a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the length of time and extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, the financial condition of the underlying issuer, the ability of the issuer to meet contractual obligations, the likelihood of the security's ability to recover any decline in its fair value, and whether or not the Bank intends to sell the security or whether it is more likely than not that the Bank would be required to sell the security before its anticipated recovery in fair value. For securities evaluated for impairment, management will determine what portion of the unrealized valuation loss is attributed to projected or known loss of principal, and what portion is attributed to market pricing based on current cash flow analysis. Management will generally record impairment equivalent to the projected or known loss of principal, known as the credit loss. The other portion of the fair market value loss is attributed to market factors and it is management's opinion that these fair value losses are temporary and not permanent. A decline in value that is considered to be other than temporary is recorded as a loss within noninterest income in the statements of net income.

Federal Home Loan Bank Stock

As a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh (FHLB) the Bank is required to maintain a minimum investment in stock of the FHLB that varies with the level of advances outstanding from the FHLB. The stock is bought from and sold to the FHLB based upon its \$100 par value. The stock does not have a readily determinable fair value and as such is classified as restricted stock, carried at cost and evaluated for impairment as necessary. The stock's value is determined by the ultimate recoverability of the par value rather than by recognizing temporary declines. The determination of whether the par value will ultimately be recovered is influenced by criteria such as the following: (a) the significance of the decline in net assets of the FHLB as compared to the capital stock amount and the length of time this situation has persisted; (b) commitments by the FHLB to make payments required by law or regulation and the level of such payments in relation to the operating performance; (c) the impact of legislative and regulatory changes on the customer base of the FHLB; and (d) the liquidity position of the FHLB. Management evaluated the stock and concluded that the stock was not impaired for the periods presented herein.

Loans Held for Sale

Loans held for sale are carried at the lower of aggregate cost or fair value. Net unrealized losses, if any, are recognized through a valuation allowance by charges to income. As of December 31, 2016, there were \$6.1 million in commercial mortgage and \$14.2 million in residential mortgage loans held for sale with a related valuation allowance of \$371,780. In 2017, management sold \$7.3 million of these loans and made a determination to transfer the remaining \$12.6 million in loans as held for investment. The loans were transferred to the portfolio at fair value and the remaining valuation allowance of approximately \$255,000 is being amortized into interest income utilizing the effective interest method. There were no loans held for sale as of December 31, 2018 or 2017.

In addition, management sells certain fixed-rate residential mortgage loans periodically through the FHLB's Mortgage Partnership Finance Program. There were no loans held for sale outstanding under this program as of December 31, 2018 or 2017.

Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses

Loans that management has the intent and ability to hold for the foreseeable future or until maturity or payoff are stated at unpaid principal balances, less the allowance for loan losses and as adjusted for third-party loan acquisition costs, deferred origination fees and costs, and discounts on loans previously held for sale. Beginning in 2017, the Bank began deferring all loan origination fees and costs. Prior to 2017, loan origination fees and costs are generally recognized as incurred and were not material for the periods presented.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (continued)

Interest income is recognized using the level yield method related to principal amounts outstanding. The Bank discontinues the accrual of interest income generally when loans become 90 days past due in either principal or interest. However, these determinations are made on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of the delay, the reasons for the delay, the borrower's prior payment record, and the amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed. In addition, if circumstances warrant, the accrual of interest may be discontinued prior to 90 days. A non-accrual loan will generally be placed back on accrual status after the borrower has become current and has demonstrated continued ability to service the loan.

The allowance for loan losses represents the amount which management estimates is adequate to provide for probable losses inherent in its loan portfolio. The allowance method is used in providing for loan losses. Accordingly, all loan losses are charged to the allowance, and all recoveries are credited to it. The allowance for loan losses is established through a provision for loan losses that is charged to operations. The provision is based on management's evaluation of the adequacy of the allowance for loan losses which encompasses the overall risk characteristics of the various portfolio segments, past experience with losses, the impact of economic conditions on borrowers, and other relevant factors.

Impaired loans are those for which it is probable the Bank will not be able to collect scheduled payments when due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement. The Bank individually evaluates such loans for impairment and does not aggregate them by major risk classifications. The definition of "impaired loans" is not the same as the definition of "nonaccrual loans," although the two categories overlap. The Bank may choose to classify a loan as impaired due to payment delinquency or uncertain collectability while not placing the loan on nonaccrual. Factors considered by management in determining impairment include payment status and the financial condition of the borrower. The amount of impairment for these types of loans is determined by the difference between the present value of the expected cash flows related to the loan, using the original interest rate, and its recorded value or, as a practical expedient in the case of collateral dependent loans, the difference between the fair value of the collateral net of estimated selling costs, if applicable, and the recorded amount of the loans.

Loans which have undergone a significant modification are considered for potential troubled debt restructuring status. A troubled debt restructuring is a loan where management has granted a concession from the original terms to a borrower that is experiencing financial difficulties. A concession is generally granted in order to improve the financial condition of the borrower and improve the likelihood of full collection by the lender. A concession is generally defined as more favorable payment or credit terms granted to a borrower in an effort to improve the likelihood of the Bank collecting principal in its entirety. All loans modified and determined to be a troubled debt restructuring are considered to be impaired.

Loans that experience insignificant payment delays and payment shortfalls generally are not classified as impaired. Management determines the significance of payment delays and payment shortfalls on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all of the circumstances surrounding the loan and the borrower, including the length of the delay, the reasons for the delay, the borrower's prior payment record, and the amount of the shortfall in relation to the principal and interest owed.

Large groups of smaller-balance homogenous loans are collectively evaluated for impairment.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Loans and Allowance for Loan Losses (continued)

In reviewing risk within the Bank's loan portfolio, management has determined there to be several different risk categories within the loan portfolio. The allowance for loan losses consists of amounts applicable to: (i) the one-to-four family mortgage portfolio; (ii) the commercial mortgage portfolio; (iii) the commercial and industrial portfolio; and (iv) the consumer portfolio. Factors considered in this process included general loan terms, collateral, and availability of historical data to support the analysis. Risk characteristics within the portfolios are noted as follows:

One-to-four family residential real estate – All loans in this segment are collateralized by owner-occupied residential real estate and repayment is dependent on the credit quality of the individual borrower. The overall health of the economy, including unemployment rates and housing prices, will have an effect on the credit quality in this segment. To a lesser extent, the Bank originates construction loans on residential properties, which have an increased risk attributable to possible construction delays or costs over-runs.

Commercial real estate – Loans in this segment are primarily income-producing properties in the Pittsburgh area. The underlying cash flows generated by the properties can be adversely impacted by a downturn in the economy as evidenced by increased vacancy rates, which in turn, could have an effect on the credit quality in this segment. Management continually monitors the cash flows of these loans.

Commercial and industrial – Loans in this segment are made to businesses and are generally secured by assets of the business. Repayment is expected from the cash flows of the business. A weakened economy, and resultant decreased consumer spending, could have an effect on the credit quality in this segment.

Consumer and HELOC – Loans in this segment are generally unsecured except for home equity lines of credit, which are secured by residential real estate. Repayment on unsecured consumer loans is dependent on the credit quality of the individual borrower.

In terms of the Bank's loan portfolio, the commercial and industrial loans and commercial mortgage loans are deemed to have more risk than the one-to-four family mortgage loans and other consumer loans in the portfolio. The commercial and industrial loans are highly dependent on the borrowers' financial condition and therefore are more dependent on economic conditions. The commercial mortgage loans are also dependent on economic conditions but generally have stronger forms of collateral.

Management's assessment of historical loss experience is used as the basis for the general reserve component. Certain qualitative factors are then added to adjust the historical allocation percentage to get the total factor to be applied to performing loans. The following qualitative factors are analyzed:

- Quality of lending policies and procedures and other credit quality indicators
- Levels of and trends in delinquencies
- Trends in volume and terms
- Trends in credit quality ratings
- Changes in management and lending staff
- Economic trends
- Concentrations of credit

The Bank analyzes its loan portfolio each month to determine the appropriateness of its allowance for loan losses.

In calculating the allowance, management will begin by compiling the balance of loans by credit quality for each loan segment in order that allocations can be made in aggregate based on historic losses and qualitative factors. Prior to calculating these aggregate allocations, management will individually evaluate commercial and industrial and commercial mortgage loans for impairment. One-to-four family mortgages and consumer loans are not individually evaluated for impairment and are therefore allocated for in aggregate, unless the loan was subject to a modification or is nonperforming. The loans measured in aggregate are considered to be large groups of smaller-balance homogenous loans and are measured for impairment collectively.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Other Real Estate Owned

Other real estate owned acquired in settlement of foreclosed loans is carried as a component of other assets at fair value, less estimated costs to sell. Prior to foreclosure, the estimated collectible value of the collateral is evaluated to determine whether a partial charge-off of the loan balance is necessary. After transfer to other real estate owned, any subsequent write-downs are charged against other operating expenses. Direct costs incurred in the foreclosure process and subsequent holding costs incurred on such properties are recorded as expenses of current operations. As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, included with other assets are \$138,100, and \$59,932, respectively, of property from one-to-four family residential mortgages that were foreclosed on. As of December 31, 2018, there were no foreclosures in process for residential real estate. Additionally, foreclosure proceedings have started on one additional one-to-four family residential mortgage with a balance of \$76,552.

Mortgage Servicing Rights (MSRs)

The Bank recognizes, as separate assets, rights to service mortgage loans for others, whether the rights are acquired through purchase or after origination and sale of mortgage loans. The Bank initially measures MSRs at fair value. Fair value is based on market prices for comparable mortgage servicing contracts, when available, or alternatively is based on the present value of estimated future net servicing income. Servicing assets are subsequently measured using the amortization method, which requires servicing rights to be amortized into noninterest income. The Bank amortizes these assets on a straight-line basis over the estimated life of the loan which does not differ materially from the proportional amortization method. The Bank performs a periodic review for impairment in the carrying value of mortgage servicing rights. Any impairment is recognized through a valuation allowance with a corresponding charge in the statements of net income.

Premises and Equipment

Land is carried at cost. Premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets, which range from 3 to 10 years for furniture, fixtures, and equipment and 40 years for buildings. Expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged against income as incurred.

Bank-Owned Life Insurance

The Bank invests in bank-owned life insurance (BOLI) as a source of funding for employee benefit expenses. BOLI involves the purchasing of life insurance policies by the Bank on a chosen group of employees. The Bank is the owner and beneficiary of the policies. This life insurance investment is carried at the cash surrender value of the underlying policies. Income from the increase in cash surrender value of the policies, as well as proceeds received in excess of cash surrender values, are included in other income in the statement of net income, and are not subject to income taxes.

Transfers of Financial Assets

Transfers of financial assets, including loan and loan participation sales, are accounted for as sales when control over the assets has been surrendered. Control over transferred assets is deemed to be surrendered when: (1) the assets have been isolated from the Bank; (2) the transferee obtains the right (free of conditions that constrain it from taking advantage of that right) to pledge or exchange the transferred assets; and (3) the Bank does not maintain effective control over the transferred assets through an agreement to repurchase them before their maturity.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Income Taxes

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are determined using the liability (or balance sheet) method. Under this method, the net deferred tax asset or liability is determined based on the tax effects of the temporary differences between the book and tax bases of the various balance sheet assets and liabilities and gives current recognition to changes in tax rates and laws in the period of enactment. Accordingly, changes resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act enacted on December 22, 2017 have been recognized in the financial statements as of and for the year ended December 31, 2017. A valuation allowance is established against deferred tax assets when, based upon the available evidence including historical and projected taxable income, it is more likely than not that some or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized.

Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income or loss consists of net income or loss and other comprehensive income or loss that includes changes in the unrealized gains and losses on securities available for sale. Additionally, the unrealized gains and losses at the end of the period are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) on the balance sheets, net of tax.

On February 14, 2018, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) finalized Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2018-02 - *Income Statement Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated other Comprehensive Income*. This accounting standard allows companies to reclassify the “stranded” tax effects in accumulated other comprehensive income that resulted from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which requires deferred tax liabilities and assets to be adjusted for the effect of a change in tax laws, to retained earnings.

The Bank has elected to early adopt this accounting standard, which provides a benefit to the financial statements by more accurately aligning the impacts of the items carried in accumulated other comprehensive income with the associated tax effect. The adoption resulted in a one-time cumulative effect adjustment of \$3,860 between retained earnings and accumulated other comprehensive income. The adjustment had no impact on net income or any prior periods presented.

Advertising Costs

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. When applicable, a contract is amortized over its term.

Recent Accounting Standards

On April 5, 2012, the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act (the “JOBS Act”) was signed into law. The JOBS Act contains provisions that among other things, reduce certain reporting requirements for qualifying public companies and define and “emerging growth company.” As an emerging growth company, the Bank may delay adoption of new or revised financial accounting standards until such date that the standards are required to be adopted by non-issuer companies. If such standards would not apply to non-issuer companies, no deferral would be applicable. We intend to take advantage of the benefits of extended transition periods. Accordingly, our financial statements may not be comparable to those of public companies that adopt the new or revised financial accounting standards as of an earlier date. The effective dates of the following recent accounting standards reflect those that relate to non-issuer companies.

In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*. The amendments in this Update create Topic 606, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*, and supersede the revenue recognition requirements in Topic 605, *Revenue Recognition*, including most industry-specific revenue recognition guidance throughout the Industry Topics of the Codification. The core principle of Topic 606 is that an entity recognizes revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. To achieve the core principle, a company should apply a five step approach to revenue recognition. The amendments in this Update are effective for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within annual periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Early adoption is permitted, but only for annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2016. The Update is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company’s consolidated financial statements, as substantially all of the Company’s revenues are outside the scope of the guidance.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Recent Accounting Standards (Continued)

In January 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-01, *Financial Instruments – Overall (Subtopic 825-10): Recognition and Measurement of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities*. This Update applies to all entities that hold financial assets or owe financial liabilities and is intended to provide more useful information on the recognition, measurement, presentation, and disclosure of financial instruments. Among other things, this Update (a) requires equity investments (except those accounted for under the equity method of accounting or those that result in consolidation of the investee) to be measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in net income; (b) simplifies the impairment assessment of equity investments without readily determinable fair values by requiring a qualitative assessment to identify impairment; (c) eliminates the requirement to disclose the fair value of financial instruments measured at amortized cost for entities that are not public business entities; (d) eliminates the requirement for public business entities to disclose the method(s) and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value that is required to be disclosed for financial instruments measured at amortized cost on the balance sheet; (e) requires public business entities to use the exit price notion when measuring the fair value of financial instruments for disclosure purposes; (f) requires separate presentation of financial assets and financial liabilities by measurement category and form of financial asset (that is, securities or loans and receivables) on the balance sheet or the accompanying notes to the financial statements; and (g) clarifies that an entity should evaluate the need for a valuation allowance on a deferred tax asset related to available-for-sale securities in combination with the entity's other deferred tax assets. The amendments in this Update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2018, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019. Entities may adopt the amendments in this Update earlier as of the fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017, including interim periods within those fiscal years. The Update is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. The standard requires lessees to recognize the assets and liabilities that arise from leases on the balance sheet. A lessee should recognize in the statement of financial position a liability to make lease payments (the lease liability) and a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying asset for the lease term. A short-term lease is defined as one in which (a) the lease term is 12 months or less and (b) there is not an option to purchase the underlying asset that the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise. For short-term leases, lessees may elect to recognize lease payments over the lease term on a straight-line basis. The amendments in this Update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and for interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020. The amendments should be applied at the beginning of the earliest period presented using a modified retrospective approach with earlier application permitted as of the beginning of an interim or annual reporting period. The Update is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements. As of December 31, 2018, the Company had no contractual lease payments under operating lease agreements based on current guidance.

Reclassification of Certain Accounts

Certain deposit account types have been reclassified as of December 31, 2018. The amount reclassified from interest-bearing demand deposits to noninterest-bearing demand deposits totaled \$8.7 million. The reclassification is for presentation purposes and does not impact earnings.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Recent Accounting Standards (Continued)

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13, *Financial Instruments - Credit Losses: Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments*, which changes the impairment model for most financial assets. This Update is intended to improve financial reporting by requiring timelier recording of credit losses on loans and other financial instruments held by financial institutions and other organizations. The underlying premise of the Update is that financial assets measured at amortized cost should be presented at the net amount expected to be collected, through an allowance for credit losses that is deducted from the amortized cost basis. The allowance for credit losses should reflect management's current estimate of credit losses that are expected to occur over the remaining life of a financial asset. The income statement will be effected for the measurement of credit losses for newly recognized financial assets, as well as the expected increases or decreases of expected credit losses that have taken place during the period. ASU 2016-13 is effective for public business entities that meet the definition of a Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) filer, for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, including interim periods within those fiscal years. For public business entities that do not meet the definition of an SEC filer, for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020, including interim periods within those fiscal years. With certain exceptions, transition to the new requirements will be through a cumulative effect adjustment to opening retained earnings as of the beginning of the first reporting period in which the guidance is adopted. The Bank expects to recognize a one-time cumulative effect adjustment to the allowance for loan losses as of the beginning of the first reporting period in which the new standard is effective, but cannot yet determine the magnitude of any such one-time adjustment or the overall impact of the new guidance on the financial statements, as any adjustment will be dependent on the composition of the loan portfolio at the time of adoption. The Company is currently in the early stages of implementing processes to comply with the requirements of the Update.

In March 2017, the FASB issued ASU 2017-08, *Receivables - Nonrefundable Fees and Other Costs (Subtopic 310-20)*. The amendments in this Update shorten the amortization period for certain callable debt securities held at a premium. Specifically, the amendments require the premium to be amortized to the earliest call date. The amendments do not require an accounting change for securities held at a discount; the discount continues to be amortized to maturity. The amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020. Early adoption is permitted, including adoption in an interim period. If an entity early adopts the amendments in an interim period, any adjustments should be reflected as of the beginning of the fiscal year that includes that interim period. An entity should apply the amendments in this Update on a modified retrospective basis through a cumulative-effect adjustment directly to retained earnings as of the beginning of the period of adoption. Additionally, in the period of adoption, an entity should provide disclosures about a change in accounting principle. The Update is not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's consolidated financial statements.

In February 2018, the FASB issued *Income Statement-Reporting Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Reclassification of Certain Tax Effects from Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income*. ASU 2018-02 provides the option to reclassify certain stranded income tax effects in accumulated other comprehensive income resulting from the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (Tax Reform Act), enacted on December 22, 2017. ASU 2018-02 was issued in response to concerns regarding current guidance in GAAP that requires deferred tax liabilities and assets to be adjusted for the effect of a change in tax laws or rates with the effect included in income from continuing operations in the reporting period that includes the enactment date, even in situations in which the related income tax effects were originally recognized in other comprehensive income, rather than net income, and as a result the stranded tax effects would not reflect the appropriate tax rate. The amendments of ASU 2018-02 allow an entity to make a reclassification from accumulated other comprehensive income to retained earnings for the stranded tax effects, which is the difference between the historical corporate income tax rate of 34.0 percent and the newly enacted corporate income tax rate of 21.0 percent. ASU 2018-02 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 31, 2018; however, entities are allowed to early adopt the amendments of ASU 2018-02 in any interim period for which the financial statements have not yet been issued. The amendments of ASU 2018-02 may be applied either at the beginning of the period (annual or interim) of adoption or retrospectively to each of the period(s) in which the effect of the change in the U.S. federal corporate tax rate in the Tax Reform Act is recognized. The Bank chose to early adopt the new standard for the year ended December 31, 2017, as allowed. The amount of the reclassification for the Bank was \$3,860, as shown in the Company's consolidated statement of changes in stockholders' equity.

3. SECURITIES AVAILABLE FOR SALE

The amortized cost and fair values of securities available for sale are as follows:

	December 31, 2018			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	\$ 3,883,220	\$ 495	\$ (18,635)	\$ 3,865,080
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	1,540,053	153	(38,244)	1,501,962
Corporate bonds	3,547,246	-	(38,511)	3,508,735
U.S. treasury securities	192,443	5	(124)	192,324
Total	\$ 9,162,962	\$ 653	\$ (95,514)	\$ 9,068,101

	December 31, 2017			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	\$ 524,873	\$ -	\$ (5,615)	\$ 519,258
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	1,626,608	852	(27,582)	1,599,878
Corporate bonds	300,952	1,399	(453)	301,898
U.S. treasury securities	193,647	1,669	-	195,316
Total	\$ 2,646,080	\$ 3,920	\$ (33,650)	\$ 2,616,350

The amortized cost and fair value of investment securities available for sale by contractual maturity are shown below. Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties. Mortgage-backed securities provide for periodic payments of principal and interest and have contractual maturities ranging from less than a year to 25 years. Due to expected repayment terms being significantly less than the underlying mortgage pool contractual maturities, estimated lives of these securities could be significantly shorter.

	December 31, 2018	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Due within one year or less	\$ 422,899	\$ 422,195
Due after one year through five years	2,658,432	2,633,090
Due after five years through ten years	2,263,017	2,212,837
Due after ten years	3,818,614	3,799,979
Total	\$ 9,162,962	\$ 9,068,101

In 2017, proceeds from sales of investment securities available for sale were \$314,190 with a gross realized gain of \$547. There were no sales of investment securities in 2018.

4. SECURITIES HELD TO MATURITY

The amortized cost and fair values of securities held to maturity are as follows:

	December 31, 2018			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	\$ 6,394	\$ 84	\$ -	\$ 6,478
Total	<u>\$ 6,394</u>	<u>\$ 84</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,478</u>

	December 31, 2017			
	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	\$ 9,797	\$ -	\$ (303)	\$ 9,494
Total	<u>\$ 9,797</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (303)</u>	<u>\$ 9,494</u>

The amortized cost and fair value of mortgage-backed securities held to maturity at December 31, 2018, by contractual maturity, are shown below. Mortgage-backed securities provide for periodic payments of principal and interest and have contractual maturities ranging from less than a year to 9 years. Due to expected repayment terms being significantly less than the underlying mortgage pool contractual maturities, actual lives of these securities could be significantly shorter.

	December 31, 2018	
	Amortized Cost	Fair Value
Due within one year or less	\$ 18	\$ 18
Due after one year through five years	4,879	4,913
Due after five years through nine years	1,497	1,547
Total	<u>\$ 6,394</u>	<u>\$ 6,478</u>

5. UNREALIZED LOSSES ON SECURITIES

The following tables show the Bank's gross unrealized losses and fair value, aggregated by investment category and length of time that the individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position:

	December 31, 2018					
	Less than Twelve Months		Twelve Months or Greater		Total	
	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses
U.S. treasury securities	\$ 159,275	\$ (124)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 159,275	\$ (124)
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	3,458,555	(7,806)	341,423	(10,829)	3,799,978	(18,635)
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	55,708	(34)	1,397,740	(38,210)	1,453,448	(38,244)
Corporate bonds	3,309,271	(37,959)	199,464	(552)	3,508,735	(38,511)
Total	\$ 6,982,809	\$ (45,923)	\$ 1,938,627	\$ (49,591)	\$ 8,921,436	\$ (95,514)

	December 31, 2017					
	Less than Twelve Months		Twelve Months or Greater		Total	
	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	\$ 519,258	\$ (5,615)	\$ 9,494	\$ (303)	\$ 528,752	\$ (5,918)
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	1,044,275	(7,238)	405,521	(20,344)	1,449,796	(27,582)
Corporate bonds	199,898	(453)	-	-	199,898	(453)
Total	\$ 1,763,431	\$ (13,306)	\$ 415,015	\$ (20,647)	\$ 2,178,446	\$ (33,953)

Management reviews the Bank's securities positions quarterly. There were 25 investments that were temporarily impaired as of December 31, 2018, with aggregate depreciation of less than 2 percent from the Bank's amortized cost basis. At December 31, 2018, the declines outlined in the above table represent temporary declines and the Bank does not intend to sell and does not believe it will be required to sell these securities before recovery of their cost basis, which may be at maturity.

The Bank has concluded that any impairment of its investment securities portfolio outlined in the above table is not other than temporary and the declines are the result of interest rate changes, sector credit rating changes, or company-specific rating changes that are not expected to result in the noncollection of principal and interest during the period.

6. LOANS

The Bank's loan portfolio summarized by category is as follows:

	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Mortgage loans:		
One-to-four family	\$ 75,520,850	\$ 75,858,226
Commercial	59,494,384	50,122,058
	<u>135,015,234</u>	<u>125,980,284</u>
Commercial and industrial	19,166,207	11,455,554
Consumer	5,404,216	4,014,258
	<u>159,585,657</u>	<u>141,450,096</u>
Third-party loan acquisition and other net origination costs	268,101	385,883
Discount on loans previously held for sale	(199,176)	(219,997)
Allowance for loan losses	(1,124,925)	(1,041,445)
Total	<u>\$ 158,529,657</u>	<u>\$ 140,574,537</u>

The Bank's primary business activity is with customers located in Pittsburgh and surrounding communities. The Bank's loan portfolio consists predominantly of one-to-four family mortgage and commercial mortgage loans. These loans are typically secured by first-lien positions on the respective real estate properties and are subject to the Bank's underwriting policies. Included in consumer loans is \$3,552,786 and \$2,165,745 of home equity lines of credit as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

During the normal course of business, the Bank may transfer a portion of a loan as a participation loan, in order to manage portfolio risk. In order to be eligible for sales treatment, all cash flows from the loan must be divided proportionately, the rights of each loan holder must have the same priority, the loan holders must have no recourse to the transferor other than standard representations and warranties, and no loan holder can have the right to pledge or exchange the entire loan. The Bank transferred \$7,508,671 and \$8,129,670 in participation loans, as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, to other financial institutions. As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, all of these loans were being serviced by the Bank.

In the ordinary course of business, loans are extended to directors, principal officers, and their affiliates. In management's opinion, all of these loans are substantially on the same terms and conditions as loans to other individuals and businesses of comparable credit worthiness. A summary of loan activity for these principal officers, directors, and their affiliates, is as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2018	2017
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 917,968	\$ 1,312,925
Additions	484,223	50,226
Repayments	(271,801)	(445,183)
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 1,130,390</u>	<u>\$ 917,968</u>

7. ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES

The allowance for loan losses reflects management's estimate of loan losses inherent in the loan portfolio at the balance sheet date. The following tables present, by portfolio segment, the changes in the allowance for loan losses:

Year ended December 31, 2018:	Mortgage One-to-Four Family	Mortgage Commercial	Commercial and Industrial	Consumer and HELOC	Total
Allowance for loan losses:					
Beginning balance	\$ 513,846	\$ 383,535	\$ 80,854	\$ 63,210	\$ 1,041,445
Charge-offs	(16,429)	-	(9,270)	(40,821)	(66,520)
Recoveries	-	-	-	-	-
Provision (credit)	(74,878)	10,365	192,137	22,376	150,000
Ending balance	<u>\$ 422,539</u>	<u>\$ 393,900</u>	<u>\$ 263,721</u>	<u>\$ 44,765</u>	<u>\$ 1,124,925</u>

Year ended December 31, 2017:	Mortgage One-to-Four Family	Mortgage Commercial	Commercial and Industrial	Consumer and HELOC	Total
Allowance for loan losses:					
Beginning balance	\$ 498,410	\$ 228,763	\$ 59,439	\$ 34,127	\$ 820,739
Charge-offs	-	-	-	(26,336)	(26,336)
Recoveries	-	-	-	-	-
Provision (credit)	15,436	154,772	21,415	55,419	247,042
Ending balance	<u>\$ 513,846</u>	<u>\$ 383,535</u>	<u>\$ 80,854</u>	<u>\$ 63,210</u>	<u>\$ 1,041,445</u>

7. ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The following tables present the composition of the allowance for loan losses as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, by loan class and segregated by those loans that deemed impaired and those that are not deemed impaired:

	Mortgage One-to-Four Family	Mortgage Commercial	Commercial and Industrial	Consumer and HELOC	Total
December 31, 2018					
Allowance for loan losses:					
Loans deemed impaired	\$ 28,136	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,136
Loans not deemed impaired	<u>394,403</u>	<u>393,900</u>	<u>263,721</u>	<u>44,765</u>	<u>1,096,789</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 422,539</u>	<u>\$ 393,900</u>	<u>\$ 263,721</u>	<u>\$ 44,765</u>	<u>\$ 1,124,925</u>
December 31, 2018					
Loans:					
Loans deemed impaired	\$ 2,486,210	\$ 1,768,845	\$ 155,660	\$ 1,195	\$ 4,411,910
Loans not deemed impaired	<u>73,034,640</u>	<u>57,725,539</u>	<u>19,010,547</u>	<u>5,403,021</u>	<u>155,173,747</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 75,520,850</u>	<u>\$ 59,494,384</u>	<u>\$ 19,166,207</u>	<u>\$ 5,404,216</u>	<u>\$ 159,585,657</u>
December 31, 2017					
Allowance for loan losses:					
Loans deemed impaired	\$ 23,870	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,870
Loans not deemed impaired	<u>489,976</u>	<u>383,535</u>	<u>80,854</u>	<u>63,210</u>	<u>1,017,575</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 513,846</u>	<u>\$ 383,535</u>	<u>\$ 80,854</u>	<u>\$ 63,210</u>	<u>\$ 1,041,445</u>
December 31, 2017					
Loans:					
Loans deemed impaired	\$ 2,508,658	\$ 1,122,740	\$ 8,251	\$ 29,245	\$ 3,668,894
Loans not deemed impaired	<u>73,349,568</u>	<u>48,999,318</u>	<u>11,447,303</u>	<u>3,985,013</u>	<u>137,781,202</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 75,858,226</u>	<u>\$ 50,122,058</u>	<u>\$ 11,455,554</u>	<u>\$ 4,014,258</u>	<u>\$ 141,450,096</u>

7. ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The following tables present the recorded investment of impaired loans by class as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, segregated by those for which a specific allowance was required and those for which a specific allowance was not necessary:

	December 31, 2018			December 31, 2017		
	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance	Recorded Investment	Unpaid Principal Balance	Related Allowance
With no allowance recorded:						
Mortgage loans:						
One-to-four family	\$ 2,211,525	\$ 2,211,525	\$ -	\$ 2,356,007	\$ 2,356,007	\$ -
Commercial	1,768,845	1,768,845	-	1,122,740	1,122,740	-
Commercial and Industrial	155,660	155,660	-	8,251	8,251	-
Consumer and HELOC	1,195	1,195	-	29,245	29,245	-
With an allowance recorded:						
Mortgage loans:						
One-to-four family	274,685	274,685	28,136	152,651	152,651	23,870
Commercial	-	-	-	-	-	-
Commercial and Industrial	-	-	-	-	-	-
Consumer and HELOC	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total mortgage loans:						
One-to-four family	2,486,210	2,486,210	28,136	2,508,658	2,508,658	23,870
Commercial	1,768,845	1,768,845	-	1,122,740	1,122,740	-
Commercial and Industrial	155,660	155,660	-	8,251	8,251	-
Consumer and HELOC	1,195	1,195	-	29,245	29,245	-
Total	\$ 4,411,910	\$ 4,411,910	\$ 28,136	\$ 3,668,894	\$ 3,668,894	\$ 23,870

7. ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

The following tables presents the average recorded investment and interest income recognized for impaired loans by class for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, segregated by those for which a specific allowance was required and those for which a specific allowance was not necessary:

	Year Ended December 31, 2018		Year Ended December 31, 2017	
	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized	Average Recorded Investment	Interest Income Recognized
With no allowance recorded:				
Mortgage loans:				
One-to-four family	\$ 1,978,510	\$ 13,292	\$ 2,009,563	\$ 25,968
Commercial	1,335,330	14,372	277,799	1,000
Commercial and industrial	116,534	-	2,292	-
Consumer and HELOC	30,502	540	42,352	-
With an allowance recorded:				
Mortgage loans:				
One-to-four family	356,259	8,844	156,754	4,444
Commercial	-	-	-	-
Commercial and industrial	-	-	-	-
Consumer and HELOC	-	-	-	-
Total mortgage loans:				
One-to-four family	2,334,769	22,136	2,166,317	30,412
Commercial	1,335,330	14,372	277,799	1,000
Commercial and industrial	116,534	-	2,292	-
Consumer and HELOC	30,502	540	42,352	-
Total	\$ 3,817,135	\$ 37,048	\$ 2,488,760	\$ 31,412

7. ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

Credit Quality Information

Aging Analysis of Past-Due Loans by Class

Management further monitors the performance and credit quality of the loan portfolio by analyzing the length of time a recorded payment is past due. The following tables present the classes of the loan portfolio summarized by the aging categories:

	December 31, 2018						
	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Days or Greater Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans Receivable	90 Days or Greater Still Accruing
Mortgage loans:							
One-to-four family	\$ 305,412	624,784	1,701,044	2,631,240	\$ 72,889,610	\$ 75,520,850	\$ -
Commercial	-	-	1,094,376	1,094,376	58,400,008	59,494,384	-
Commercial and industrial	-	-	155,660	155,660	19,010,547	19,166,207	-
Consumer and HELOC	-	-	1,195	1,195	5,403,021	5,404,216	-
Total	<u>\$ 305,412</u>	<u>\$ 624,784</u>	<u>\$ 2,952,275</u>	<u>\$ 3,882,471</u>	<u>\$ 155,703,186</u>	<u>\$ 159,585,657</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

	December 31, 2017						
	30-59 Days Past Due	60-89 Days Past Due	90 Das or Greater Past Due	Total Past Due	Current	Total Loans Receivable	90 Days or Greater Still Accruing
Mortgage loans:							
One-to-four family	\$ 982,168	\$ 399,992	\$ 1,900,116	\$ 3,282,276	\$ 72,575,950	\$ 75,858,226	\$ -
Commercial	656,640	-	1,122,740	1,779,380	48,342,678	50,122,058	-
Commercial and industrial	301,783	-	8,251	310,034	11,145,520	11,455,554	-
Consumer and HELOC	662	14,386	29,245	44,293	3,969,965	4,014,258	-
Total	<u>\$ 1,941,253</u>	<u>\$ 414,378</u>	<u>\$ 3,060,352</u>	<u>\$ 5,415,983</u>	<u>\$ 136,034,113</u>	<u>\$ 141,450,096</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The following table presents the loans on nonaccrual status, by class:

	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
Mortgage loans:		
One-to-four family	\$ 2,302,267	\$ 2,108,086
Commercial	1,094,376	1,122,740
Commercial and industrial	155,660	8,251
Consumer and HELOC	1,195	29,245
Total	<u>\$ 3,553,498</u>	<u>\$ 3,268,322</u>

7. ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)

Credit Quality Information

The Bank categorizes loans into risk categories based on relevant information about the ability of borrowers to service their debt such as: current financial information, historical payment experience, credit documentation, public information, and current economic trends, among other factors. The Bank analyzes commercial loans individually by classifying the loans as to their credit risk. The Bank uses a seven grade internal loan rating system for commercial

- *Loans rated 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5:* Loans in these categories are considered “pass” rated loans with low to average risk.
- *Loans rated 6:* Loans in this category are considered “special mention.” These loans have a potential weakness that deserves management’s close attention. If left uncorrected, these weaknesses may result in deterioration of the repayment prospects for the loan or of the institution’s credit position at some future date.
- *Loans rated 7:* Loans in this category are considered “substandard.” These loans have a well-defined weakness based on objective evidence that jeopardize the liquidation of the debt. These loans are characterized by the distinct possibility that the Bank will sustain some loss if the deficiencies are not corrected.
- *Loans rated 8:* Loans in this category are considered “doubtful” and have all the weaknesses inherent in a loan rated 7. In addition, these weaknesses make collection or liquidation in full highly questionable and improbable, based on existing circumstances.
- *Loans rated 9:* Loans in this category are considered “loss” and are considered to be uncollectible or of such value that continuance as an asset is not warranted.

The risk category of loans by class of loans is as follows:

	December 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
	Mortgage Commercial	Commercial and Industrial	Mortgage Commercial	Commercial and Industrial
Loans rated 1 - 5	\$ 57,773,482	\$ 15,028,078	\$ 48,764,928	\$ 11,434,756
Loans rated 6	-	3,982,469	234,390	20,798
Loans rated 7	1,720,902	155,660	1,122,740	-
Total	<u>\$ 59,494,384</u>	<u>\$ 19,166,207</u>	<u>\$ 50,122,058</u>	<u>\$ 11,455,554</u>

There were no loans classified as doubtful or loss at December 31, 2018 or 2017.

7. **ALLOWANCE FOR LOAN LOSSES (Continued)**

For one-to-four family mortgage and consumer loans, the Bank evaluates credit quality based on whether the loan is considered to be performing or nonperforming. Loans are generally considered to be nonperforming when they are placed on nonaccrual or become 90 days past due. The following table presents the balances of loans by classes of the loan portfolio based on payment performance:

	December 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
	Mortgage One- to-Four Family	Consumer and HELOC	Mortgage One- to-Four Family	Consumer and HELOC
Performing	\$ 73,218,583	\$ 5,403,021	\$ 73,750,140	\$ 3,985,013
Nonperforming	2,302,267	1,195	2,108,086	29,245
Total	<u>\$ 75,520,850</u>	<u>\$ 5,404,216</u>	<u>\$ 75,858,226</u>	<u>\$ 4,014,258</u>

Troubled Debt Restructurings

During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Bank modified three loans as troubled debt restructurings. The three loans were comprised of one one-to-four family mortgage and two commercial mortgages. The one-to-four family mortgage has a balance of \$145,279 as of December 31, 2018. It had a pre- and post-modification balance of \$146,053 and the concession granted by the Bank was an extension of the maturity date. This loan defaulted in the current reporting period. The two commercial mortgages have an aggregate balance of \$674,468 as of December 31, 2018. They had an aggregate pre- and post-modification balance of \$678,263 and the concessions granted by the Bank, in both cases, was an extended interest-only period. Troubled debt restructurings totaled \$1.9 million at December 31, 2018.

During the year ended December 31, 2017, the Bank modified three loans as troubled debt restructurings. In each of these instances, the pre- and post-modified balances were the same. The concession granted by the Bank was an extension of the maturity date for all three of the loans noted. Troubled debt restructurings totaled \$1.4 million at December 31, 2017.

As of December 31, 2018 and 2017, the Bank allocated \$1,980 and \$23,870, respectively, within the allowance for loan losses to loans modified as troubled debt restructurings.

8. PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

Premises and equipment are summarized as follows:

	December 31,	
	2018	2017
Land	\$ 678,000	\$ 678,000
Buildings	3,924,853	3,568,436
Furniture and equipment	932,353	1,154,295
	<u>5,535,206</u>	<u>5,400,731</u>
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,199,692)</u>	<u>(1,042,725)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,335,514</u>	<u>\$ 4,358,006</u>

Depreciation expense on premises and equipment was \$156,968 and \$57,573 for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

9. DEPOSITS

Time deposits include certificates of deposit and other time deposits in denominations of \$250,000 or greater aggregating to \$13.9 million and \$11.6 million at December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The aggregate maturities of time deposits in years 2019 through 2023 and thereafter are as follows at December 31, 2018:

2019	\$ 31,261,950
2020	20,733,210
2021	12,015,017
2022	9,940,388
2023	3,891,657
Thereafter	15,276,915
	<u>\$ 93,119,137</u>

Brokered certificates of deposits amounted to \$30.7 million and \$21.8 million at December 31, 2018, and 2017, respectively.

10. BORROWINGS

Pursuant to collateral agreements with the FHLB advances are secured by all stock in the FHLB and a blanket lien on qualifying first mortgage loans. The Bank had a maximum borrowing capacity of \$91,876,000 as of December 31, 2018. The following table shows the Bank's fixed rate FHLB borrowings:

Maturing in	December 31, 2018	
	Amount	Weighted-Average Rate
2019	\$ 6,250,000	2.49%
2020	7,124,500	2.37
2021	8,000,000	2.87
2025 and thereafter	10,000,000	2.93
Total	<u>\$ 31,374,500</u>	<u>2.70%</u>

Maturing in	December 31, 2017	
	Amount	Weighted-Average Rate
2018	\$ 9,291,700	1.40%
2019	2,000,000	2.01
2020	5,124,500	2.16
2023 and thereafter	10,000,000	2.93
Total	<u>\$ 26,416,200</u>	<u>2.17%</u>

11. INCOME TAXES

Income tax expense is summarized as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,	
	2018	2017
Currently payable:		
Federal	\$ 32,408	\$ 313,857
State	1,317	14,931
	<u>33,725</u>	<u>328,788</u>
Deferred:		
Change in federal corporate tax rate	-	203,152
Federal	29,539	52,139
	<u>29,539</u>	<u>255,291</u>
Total	<u>\$ 63,264</u>	<u>\$ 584,079</u>

11. INCOME TAXES (Continued)

The components of the net deferred tax asset are as follows:

	December 31,	
	2018	2017
Deferred tax assets:		
Allowance for loan losses	\$ 236,234	\$ 221,155
Premises and equipment	-	1,590
Accrued interest payable	53,652	43,385
Nonaccrual loan interest	74,936	58,311
Write-down on loans held for sale	41,827	46,199
Net unrealized loss on securities	20,237	6,244
Gross deferred tax assets	<u>426,886</u>	<u>376,884</u>
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Mortgage servicing rights	(49,212)	(48,715)
Premises and equipment	(57,754)	-
Other	(7,297)	-
Gross deferred tax liabilities	<u>(114,263)</u>	<u>(48,715)</u>
Net deferred tax asset	<u>\$ 312,623</u>	<u>\$ 328,169</u>

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, enacted on December 22, 2017, lowered the Bank's federal corporate income tax rate from 34 percent to 21 percent effective January 1, 2018. As a result, the carrying value of the net deferred tax asset was reduced and income tax expense increased by \$203,152 for the year ended December 31, 2017.

No valuation allowance was established at December 31, 2018 and 2017, in view of the Bank's ability to recover taxes paid in previous years, to execute certain tax strategies and to anticipate future taxable income as evidenced by the Bank's earnings potential.

Reconciliations of the federal statutory rate to the Bank's effective income tax rate are as follows:

	Years Ended December 31,			
	2018		2017	
	Amount	% of Pretax Income	Amount	% of Pretax Income
Provision of statutory rate	\$ 93,208	21.0%	\$ 398,879	34.0%
Tax-exempt interest	(6,993)	(1.6)	(12,494)	(1.1)
State income tax	1,040	0.2	7,815	0.7
Change in corporate tax rate	-	-	203,152	17.3
Other, net	(23,991)	(5.4)	(13,273)	(1.1)
Actual tax expense and effective rate	<u>\$ 63,264</u>	<u>14.2%</u>	<u>\$ 584,079</u>	<u>49.8%</u>

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles prescribe a recognition threshold and a measurement attribute for the financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. Benefits from tax positions should be recognized in the financial statements only when it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained upon examination by the appropriate taxing authority that would have full

11. INCOME TAXES (Continued)

knowledge of all relevant information. A tax position that meets the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold is measured at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50 percent likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

The Company did not have any uncertain tax positions at December 31, 2018 or 2017 which would have required accrual or disclosure. The Bank records interest and penalties as part of income tax expense. No interest or penalties were recorded for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017.

The Bank's income tax returns are subject to review and examination by federal and state taxing authorities. With few exceptions, the Bank is no longer subject to U.S. federal, state, or local income tax examinations by tax authorities for years before 2015.

12. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

The Bank established a tax qualified Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP") for the benefit of its employees in conjunction with the Reorganization effective on January 24, 2018. All employees who are not union employees, leased employees, or non-resident alien employees are eligible. As of December 31, 2018, all employees were eligible. Eligible employees become 20% vested in their accounts after two years of service, 40% after three years of service, 60% after four years of service, 80% after five years of service and 100% after six years of service, or earlier, upon death, disability or attainment of normal retirement age.

The ESOP purchased 88,131 shares of SSB Bancorp common stock, which was funded by a loan from SSB Bancorp. Unreleased ESOP shares collateralize the loan payable, and the cost of the shares is recorded as a contra-equity account in the stockholders' equity of the Company. Shares are to be released as debt payments are made by the ESOP to the loan. The ESOP's sources of repayment of the loan can include dividends, if any, on the unallocated stock held by the ESOP and discretionary contributions from the Company to the ESOP and earnings thereon.

Compensation expense is equal to the fair value of the shares committed to be released and unallocated ESOP shares are excluded from outstanding shares for purposes of computing earnings per share. During the year ended December 31, 2018, the Company recognized \$40,992 in compensation expense.

13. REGULATORY CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS

The Bank is subject to various regulatory capital requirements administered by federal and state banking agencies. Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandatory and possibly additional discretionary actions by regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the Bank's financial statements. Under capital adequacy guidelines and the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action, the Bank must meet specific capital guidelines that involve quantitative measure of the Bank's assets, liabilities, and certain off-balance sheet items as calculated under regulatory accounting practices. The Bank's capital amounts and classification are also subject to qualitative judgments by the regulators about components, risk weightings, and other factors.

The regulations require a minimum ratio of common equity Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets of 4.5%, a minimum ratio of Tier 1 capital to risk-weighted assets of 6%, a minimum total capital ratio of 8%, and a minimum leverage ratio of 4% for all banking organizations. Additionally, community banking institutions must maintain a capital conservation buffer of common equity Tier 1 capital in an amount greater than 2.5% of total risk-weighted assets to avoid being subject to limitations on capital distributions and discretionary bonuses. The capital conservation buffer and certain deductions from and adjustments to regulatory capital and risk-weighted assets were phased in over several years. The required minimum conservation buffer was 1.25% as of December 31, 2017, increased to 1.875% on January 1, 2018, and increased to 2.5% on January 1, 2019. Management believes that the Bank's capital levels will remain characterized as "well-capitalized" throughout the phase-in periods.

13. **REGULATORY CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS (Continued)**

As of December 31 2018 the most recent notification from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation categorized the Bank as well capitalized under the regulatory framework for prompt corrective action. To be categorized as well capitalized the Bank must maintain minimum capital ratios as set forth in the following table. There are no conditions or events since the notification that management believes have changed the Bank's category. Management believes that the Bank meets all capital adequacy requirements to which it is subject. The Bank's actual capital amounts and ratios are also presented in the table below.

	December 31, 2018		December 31, 2017	
	Amount	Ratio	Amount	Ratio
Common Equity Tier 1 capital				
<u>(to risk-weighted assets)</u>				
Actual	\$ 20,393,710	14.22%	\$ 12,135,085	9.47%
For capital adequacy purposes	6,453,270	4.50	5,718,465	4.50
To be well capitalized	9,321,390	6.50	8,325,005	6.50
Tier 1 capital				
<u>(to risk-weighted assets)</u>				
Actual	\$ 20,393,710	14.22%	\$ 12,135,085	9.47%
For capital adequacy purposes	8,604,360	6.00	7,684,620	6.00
To be well capitalized	11,472,480	8.00	10,246,160	8.00
Total capital				
<u>(to risk-weighted assets)</u>				
Actual	\$ 21,518,635	15.01%	\$ 13,176,530	10.29%
For capital adequacy purposes	11,472,480	8.00	10,246,160	8.00
To be well capitalized	14,340,600	10.00	12,807,700	10.00
Tier 1 capital				
<u>(to average assets)</u>				
Actual	\$ 20,393,710	11.59%	\$ 12,135,085	7.85%
For capital adequacy purposes	7,036,287	4.00	6,186,160	4.00
To be well capitalized	8,795,358	5.00	7,732,700	5.00

14. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS

The Bank has a 401(k) plan that covers substantially all employees. The plan provides for employer-matching contributions on employee contributions of up to 3 percent of compensation, plus 50 percent matching up to the next 2 percent of compensation. The Bank paid required employer-matching contributions of \$52,608 and \$37,686 for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

15. COMMITMENTS

In the normal course of business, the Bank makes various commitments that are not reflected in the Bank's financial statements. The Bank offers such products to enable its customers to meet their financing objectives. These instruments involve, to varying degrees, elements of credit and interest rate risk in excess of the amount recognized on the balance sheets. The Bank's exposure to credit loss in the event of nonperformance by the other parties to the financial instruments is represented by the contractual amounts as disclosed. The Bank minimizes its exposure to credit loss under these commitments by subjecting them to credit approval, review procedures and collateral requirements as deemed necessary.

Off-balance sheet commitments consisted of the following:

	December 31,	
	2018	2017
Commitments to extend credit	\$ 2,736,500	\$ 12,123,427
Construction unadvanced funds	3,711,319	4,110,849
Unused lines of credit	8,186,512	3,608,851
	<u>\$ 14,634,331</u>	<u>\$ 19,843,127</u>

Commitments to extend credit are agreements to lend to a customer as long as there is no violation of any condition established in the loan agreement. These commitments consisted primarily of mortgage loan commitments. The Bank uses the same credit policies in making loan commitments and conditional obligations as it does for on-balance sheet instruments. The Bank evaluates each customer's creditworthiness on a case-by-case basis. The amount of collateral obtained, as deemed necessary, is based upon management's credit evaluation in compliance with the Bank's lending policy guidelines.

The Bank incurred \$2,736 and \$69,488 in rent expense in 2018 and 2017, respectively, which is included in occupancy expense on the statements of net income. The decrease is due to the lease of 8150 Perry Highway ending in January 2018.

In August 2017, the Bank entered into employment agreements with three executives that provide for a base salary and certain other benefits. The initial terms of the agreements are for three years with annual renewals thereafter. In the event of the executive's termination without cause, as defined, the executive will receive a lump sum cash payment equal to the amount remaining under the contract. Additional benefits are payable upon a change in control, as defined.

16. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The following disclosures show the hierarchal disclosure framework associated with the level of pricing observations utilized in measuring assets and liabilities at fair value. The three broad pricing levels are as follows:

Level I: Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical assets or liabilities as of the reported date.

Level II: Pricing inputs are other than the quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reported date. The nature of these assets and liabilities includes items for which quoted prices are available but traded less frequently and items that are fair-valued using other financial instruments, the parameters of which can be directly observed.

Level III: Valuations derived from valuation techniques in which one or more significant inputs or significant value drivers are unobservable.

This hierarchy requires the use of observable market data, when available.

Fair values for securities are determined by obtaining quoted prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges or matrix pricing, which is a mathematical technique that is widely used in the industry to value debt securities without relying exclusively on quoted prices for the specific securities but rather by relying on the securities' relationship to other benchmark-quoted securities. Fair values of securities determined by quoted prices in active markets, when available, are classified as Level I. At December 31, 2018 and 2017, fair value measurements were obtained from a third-party pricing service and not adjusted by management. Transfers are recognized at the end of the reporting period, as applicable.

The following tables present the assets reported on the balance sheets at their fair value by level within the fair value hierarchy. Financial assets are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. No liabilities were reported at fair value on a recurring basis.

	December 31, 2018			
	Level I	Level II	Level III	Total
Fair value measurements on a recurring basis:				
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	\$ -	\$ 3,865,080	\$ -	\$ 3,865,080
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	-	1,501,962	-	1,501,962
Corporate bonds	-	3,508,735	-	3,508,735
U.S. treasury securities	192,324	-	-	192,324
Mortgage servicing rights	-	-	234,344	234,344
Impaired loans with reserve	-	-	246,549	246,549

	December 31, 2017			
	Level I	Level II	Level III	Total
Fair value measurements on a recurring basis:				
Mortgage-backed securities in government-sponsored entities	\$ -	\$ 519,258	\$ -	\$ 519,258
Obligations of state and political subdivisions	-	1,599,878	-	1,599,878
Corporate bonds	-	301,898	-	301,898
U.S. treasury securities	195,316	-	-	195,316
Mortgage servicing rights	-	-	231,977	231,977
Impaired loans with reserve	-	-	112,139	112,139

16. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

	December 31, 2018			
	Level I	Level II	Level III	Total
Fair value measurements on a nonrecurring basis:				
Other real estate owned	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 138,100	\$ 138,100

	December 31, 2017			
	Level I	Level II	Level III	Total
Fair value measurements on a nonrecurring basis:				
Other real estate owned	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 59,932	\$ 59,932

Loans Held For Sale

Fair values are estimated based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows adjusted for current market inputs including interest rates and prepayment speeds, as well as adjustments for the credit quality of the borrowers.

Impaired Loans

Certain collateral dependent impaired loans have been adjusted to fair value based on the loan's collateral. Fair value is generally determined based upon independent third-party appraisals of the properties, along with management's assumptions in various factors, such as selling costs and discounts for time since last appraised.

Other Real Estate Owned

Other real estate owned (OREO) is measured at fair value, less estimated cost to sell at the date of foreclosure, establishing a new cost basis. Subsequent to foreclosure, valuations are periodically performed by management. The assets are carried at fair value, less estimated cost to sell. Income and expense from operations and changes in valuation allowance are included in other noninterest expense.

The following tables present information related to the assets measured on a nonrecurring basis on the balance sheets at their fair value as of December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, by level within the fair value hierarchy. No liabilities were measured at fair value on a nonrecurring basis.

16. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The following table provides the significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement process for items valued using Level III techniques at December 31, 2018 and 2017:

	Fair Value at December 31, 2018	Valuation Techniques	Valuation Unobservable Inputs	Range (Weighted Average)
Other real estate owned	\$ 138,100	Appraised collateral values	Discount for time since appraisal	10% (10%)
			Selling costs	10% (10%)
Impaired loans with reserve	246,549	Discounted cash flows	Discount for evaluation	10% (10%)
			Selling costs	10% (10%)
Mortgage servicing rights	234,344	Discounted cash flows	Loan prepayment speeds	8.49%-10.52% (9.69%)

	Fair Value at December 31, 2017	Valuation Techniques	Valuation Unobservable Inputs	Range (Weighted Average)
Other real estate owned	\$ 59,932	Appraised collateral values	Discount for time since appraisal	10% (10%)
			Selling costs	10% (10%)
Impaired loans with reserve	112,139	Discounted cash flows	Discount for evaluation	10% (10%)
			Selling costs	10% (10%)
Mortgage servicing rights	231,977	Discounted cash flows	Loan prepayment speeds	8.67% (8.67%)

The estimated fair values of the Bank's financial instruments are as follows:

	December 31, 2018				
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Level I	Level II	Level III
Financial assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 9,034,070	\$ 9,034,070	\$ 9,034,070	\$ -	\$ -
Certificates of deposit	846,000	837,828	-	837,828	-
Investment securities:					
Available for sale	9,068,101	9,068,101	192,324	8,875,777	-
Held to maturity	6,394	6,478	-	6,478	-
Loans, net	158,529,657	159,275,657	-	-	159,275,657
Accrued interest receivable	639,474	639,474	-	639,474	-
FHLB Stock	2,651,400	2,651,400	-	-	2,651,400
Financial liabilities:					
Deposits	136,108,766	134,639,766	42,989,629	-	91,650,137
FHLB advances	31,374,500	31,242,500	-	31,242,500	-
Accrued interest payable	255,486	255,486	-	255,486	-
December 31, 2017					
	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Level I	Level II	Level III
Financial assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 16,478,066	\$ 16,478,066	\$ 16,478,066	\$ -	\$ -
Certificates of deposit	943,000	946,497	-	946,497	-
Investment securities:					
Available for sale	2,616,350	2,616,350	195,316	2,421,034	-
Held to maturity	9,797	9,494	-	9,494	-
Loans, net	140,574,537	139,784,862	-	-	139,784,862
Accrued interest receivable	476,417	476,417	-	476,417	-
FHLB Stock	2,162,600	2,162,600	-	-	2,162,600
Financial liabilities:					
Deposits	132,430,024	132,189,024	50,730,909	-	81,458,115
FHLB advances	26,416,200	25,602,500	-	25,602,500	-
Accrued interest payable	206,597	206,597	-	206,597	-

Financial instruments are defined as cash, evidence of an ownership interest in an entity, or a contract which creates an obligation or right to receive or deliver cash or another financial instrument from/to a second entity on potentially favorable or unfavorable terms.

Fair value is defined as the amount at which a financial instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties other than in a forced or liquidation sale. If a quoted market price is available for a financial instrument, the estimated fair value would be calculated based upon the market price per trading unit of the instrument.

17. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

If no readily available market exists, the fair value estimates for financial instruments should be based upon management's judgment regarding current economic conditions, interest rate risk, expected cash flows, future estimated losses, and other factors as determined through various option pricing formulas or simulation modeling. Since many of these assumptions result from judgments made by management based upon estimates which are inherently uncertain, the resulting estimated fair values may not be indicative of the amount realizable in the sale of a particular financial instrument. In addition, changes in the assumptions on which the estimated fair values are based may have a significant impact on the resulting estimated fair values.

Since certain assets, such as deferred tax assets and premises and equipment, are not considered financial instruments, the estimated fair value of financial instruments would not represent the full value of the Bank.

Cash and Cash Equivalents, Accrued Interest Receivable, FHLB Stock, and Accrued Interest Payable

The fair value is equal to the current carrying value.

Certificates of Deposit

The fair values of certificates of deposit are based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rates are estimated using rates currently offered for similar instruments with similar remaining maturities.

Securities

Fair values for securities are determined by obtaining quoted prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges or matrix pricing, which is a mathematical technique that is widely used in the industry to value debt securities without relying exclusively on quoted prices for the specific securities but rather by relying on the securities' relationship to other benchmark-quoted securities. Fair values of securities determined by quoted prices in active markets, when available, are classified as Level I.

Loans Held For Sale

Fair values are estimated using current market inputs including interest rates and prepayment speeds, as well as adjustments for the credit quality of the borrowers.

Loans, Net

The fair value is estimated by discounting future cash flows using current market inputs at which loans with similar terms and qualities would be made to borrowers of similar credit quality. Certain collateral dependent impaired loans have been adjusted to fair value based on the loan's collateral. Fair value is generally determined based upon independent third-party appraisals of the properties, along with management's assumptions in various factors, such as selling costs and discounts for time since last appraised.

FHLB Advances

The fair value of FHLB advances is based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rates are estimated using rates currently offered for similar instruments with similar remaining maturities.

Deposits

The fair values of certificates of deposit are based on the discounted value of contractual cash flows. The discount rates are estimated using rates currently offered for similar instruments with similar remaining maturities. Demand, savings, and money market deposit accounts are valued at the amount payable on demand as of year-end.

17. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

Commitments

These financial instruments are generally not subject to sale, and estimated fair values are not readily available. The carrying value, represented by the net deferred fee arising from the unrecognized commitment, and the fair value, determined by discounting the remaining contractual fee over the term of the commitment using fees currently charged to enter into similar agreements with similar credit risk, are not considered material for disclosure. The contractual amounts of unfunded commitments are presented in Note 15.

18. ACCUMULATED OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The following table presents the changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) by component, net of tax:

	Net Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Securities	
	Year ended December 31,	
	2018	2017
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), beginning of period	\$ (23,487)	\$ (47,388)
Other comprehensive income (loss) on securities before reclassification, net of tax	(51,136)	28,124
Amounts reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	-	(363)
Net other comprehensive income (loss)	(51,136)	27,761
Reclassification of certain income tax effects from accumulated other comprehensive loss		(3,860)
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss), end of period	\$ (74,623)	\$ (23,487)

19. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The Bank is involved in certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. The outcome of these claims and actions is not presently determinable; however, the opinion of the Bank's management, after consulting legal counsel, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial statements.

20. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings per common share for the year ended December 31, 2018 are presented in the following table:

	Year ended December 31, 2018
Net Income	\$ 380,416
Shares outstanding for basic EPS:	
Average shares outstanding	2,248,250
Less: Average unearned ESOP shares	85,928
	2,162,322
Additional dilutive shares	-
Shares outstanding for basic and diluted EPS	2,162,322
Basic and diluted income per share	\$ 0.18

21. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Company has assessed events occurring subsequent to December 31, 2018, through March 29, 2019, for potential recognition and disclosure in the financial statements. No events have occurred that would require adjustment to, or disclosure in, the financial statements which were available to be issued on March 29, 2019.

ITEM 9. Changes In and Disagreements With Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

ITEM 9A. Controls and Procedures

Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Under the supervision and with the participation of our senior management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, we evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K. Based upon that evaluation, the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer concluded that, as of the end of the period covered by this Annual Report on Form 10-K, our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective because of the material weaknesses disclosed below under “Management’s Annual Report on Effectiveness of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting.”

Management’s Annual Report on Effectiveness of Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting. The internal control process has been designed under our supervision to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of the consolidated financial statements for external reporting purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Management conducted an assessment of the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018, utilizing the framework established in the 2013 Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). Based on this assessment, management has determined that our internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2018 is not effective because of the material weaknesses disclosed below. Disclosed below are the remediation efforts regarding material weaknesses related to (1) the allowance for loan losses and the identification and reporting of problem loans, and (2) the recognition of interest income on loans that have been sold or participated out to others. With the oversight and participation of senior management, including our principal executive officer and principal financial officer, we have taken steps to remediate the underlying causes of these material weaknesses as follows:

Allowance for loan losses and the identification and reporting of problem loans – We have instituted a quarterly review and updating of the qualitative factors used in determining the allowance for loan losses, instituted a monthly review of changes to classified loans (including those designated as nonaccrual or as troubled debt restructurings) for accuracy and completeness and required that any changes to the allowance for loan losses be approved by the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, among other steps.

Recognition of interest income on sold and participated loans – We have created a contra-asset account to offset the daily accrual of interest income on sold and participated loans. We are also addressing with our core processor identified deficiencies related to report production inaccuracies and have agreed to utilize an upgraded application starting in May 2019. Until resolved to our satisfaction or until we change core processing applications, all fields and accrual information will be monitored monthly and documented within our financial reporting package.

Enhancing disclosure controls and procedures includes developing and/or revising formal policies and improving relevant procedures. The material weaknesses identified above will not be considered fully remediated until the new or revised policies and procedures have been in place and in operation for a sufficient time so that they may be tested and determined by senior management to be effective.

Our internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that pertain to the maintenance of records that accurately and fairly reflect, in reasonable detail, transactions and dispositions of assets; and provide reasonable assurances that: (1) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States; (2) receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and our directors; and (3) unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on our financial statements are prevented or timely detected.

All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Attestation Report of the Registered Public Accounting Firm

This Annual Report on Form 10-K does not include an attestation report of our independent registered public accounting firm on management's report on internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the registered public accounting firm pursuant to rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit us to provide only management's report in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Except as disclosed above, there were no other changes made in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended December 31, 2018 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 9B. Other Information

None.

PART III

ITEM 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

SSB Bancorp, Inc. has adopted a Code of Ethics that applies to its principal executive officer, principal financial officer and principal accounting officer or controller or persons performing similar functions. A copy of the Code of Ethics is available on SSB Bancorp, Inc.'s website at www.ssbpgh.com under "Info – Investor Relations."

The information contained under the sections captioned "Item 1 – Election of Directors" in SSB Bancorp, Inc.'s definitive Proxy Statement for the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Proxy Statement") is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 11. Executive Compensation

The information contained under the section captioned "Item 1 – Election of Directors – Executive Compensation" in the Proxy Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management and Related Stockholder Matters

(a) Securities Authorized for Issuance under Stock-Based Compensation Plans

As of December 31, 2018, we did not have any compensation plans (other than our Employee Stock Ownership Plan) under which equity securities of SSB Bancorp, Inc. are authorized for issuance.

(b) Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the section captioned "Voting Securities and Principal Holders" in the Proxy Statement.

(c) Security Ownership of Management

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the section captioned "Voting Securities and Principal Holders" in the Proxy Statement.

(d) Changes in Control

Management of SSB Bancorp, Inc. knows of no arrangements, including any pledge by any person of securities of SSB Bancorp, Inc., the operation of which may at a subsequent date result in a change in control of the registrant.

ITEM 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the sections captioned "Item 1 – Election of Directors – Transactions with Certain Related Persons," "– Board Independence" and "– Meetings and Committees of the Board of Directors" of the Proxy Statement.

ITEM 14. Principal Accounting Fees and Services

The information required by this item is incorporated herein by reference to the section captioned "Item 3 – Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm" of the Proxy Statement.

PART IV

ITEM 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

- 3.1 [Articles of Incorporation of SSB Bancorp, Inc. \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of SSB Bancorp, Inc. \(File No. 333-220403\), initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 8, 2017\)](#)
- 3.2 [Bylaws of SSB Bancorp, Inc. \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of SSB Bancorp, Inc. \(File No. 333-220403\), initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 8, 2017\)](#)
- 4 [Form of Common Stock Certificate of SSB Bancorp, Inc. \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of SSB Bancorp, Inc. \(File No. 333-220403\), initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 8, 2017\)](#)
- 10.1 [Employment Agreement by and between SSB Bank and J. Daniel Moon, IV \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of SSB Bancorp, Inc. \(File No. 333-220403\), initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 8, 2017\) †](#)
- 10.2 [Employment Agreement by and between SSB Bank and Jennifer Harris \(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 of SSB Bancorp, Inc. \(File No. 333-220403\), initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 8, 2017\) †](#)
- 10.3 [Employment Agreement by and between SSB Bank and Benjamin Contrucci †](#)
- 21 [Subsidiaries of Registrant](#)
- 31 [Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(a\) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002](#)
- 32 [Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14\(a\) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002](#)
- 33 [Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002](#)
- 34 [Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002](#)
- 101 The following materials from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, formatted in XBRL: (i) Balance Sheets, (ii) Statements of Income, (iii) Statements of Comprehensive Income, (iv) Changes in Net Worth, (v) Statements of Cash Flows and (vi) Notes to the Financial Statements.

† Management contract or compensation plan or arrangement.

ITEM 16. Form 10-K Summary

Not applicable.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) 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.

SSB BANCORP, INC.

Date: March 29, 2019

By: /s/ J. Daniel Moon, IV

J. Daniel Moon, IV
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 29, 2019

By: /s/ Benjamin A. Contrucci

Benjamin A. Contrucci
Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signatures</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ J. Daniel Moon, IV</u> J. Daniel Moon, IV	President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director	March 29, 2019
<u>/s/ Kenneth J. Broadbent</u> Kenneth J. Broadbent	Director	March 29, 2019
<u>/s/ David H. Docchio, Jr.</u> David H. Docchio, Jr.	Director	March 29, 2019
<u>/s/ Gretchen Givens Generett</u> Gretchen Givens Generett	Director	March 29, 2019
<u>/s/ Mark C. Joseph</u> Mark C. Joseph	Director	March 29, 2019
<u>/s/ Bernie M. Simons</u> Bernie M. Simons	Director (Chairman of the Board)	March 29, 2019

