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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 6-K

## REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of AUGUST 7, 2012

Commission File Number: 001-32210

## NORTHERN DYNASTY MINERALS LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

#### 1500, 1040 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC V6E 4H1

(Address of principal executive offices)

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## **Exhibits**

99.1 Press release August 7, 2012

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### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements 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.

NORTHERN DYNASTY MINERALS LTD.

(Registrant)

Date: August 7, 2012 By: /s/Ronald W. Thiessen

Ronald W. Thiessen

Title: President & CEO