

PARKSIDE PLACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

PATHWAY LIGHTING PROJECT

During 2014, as it became obvious that our pathways lighting was beyond repair, Charlotte Duplissey did much due diligence and engaged, with BOD approval, Gault Electric to replace the entire system, and Natural Harmony to do all the ground work. All costs were/are to be charged to Reserve Account Lighting.

1. **Gault Electric:** installed new units on both sides of all pathways with existing lighting, at a cost of \$4990.

2. **Natural Harmony:**

a. dug trenches and buried all the cabling, at a cost of \$406.25.

b. installed stone 'aprons' around the base of each light fixture, to protect the cabling and the fixture itself from damage from the mowers, at a cost of \$744.80.

Total Costs: \$6141.05

This work was completed Jan. 30, 2015.

5/25/16:

Two problems became apparent during the first year of operation.

1. The stakes were regularly being broken at ground level, due to landscape activities and people kicking them.
2. The lights and screws were corroding to the point where it was impossible to change some bulbs. They looked terrible.

Initially, we tried to bury them deeper, which helped the breakage problem. However, when we contacted Gault electric we found that the lights had a 5 year warranty. They were able to get us replacement lights at no cost, and they treated them with extra spray to help prevent future corrosion, and put in stainless steel screws. They did not recommend burying them deeper, but instead recommended heavy duty stakes that would not break as easily. These stakes were purchased and installed by Natural Harmony in May, 2016. The cost to the HOA was approximately \$200 for new stakes, and \$495 to Gault Electric. The work done by Natural Harmony was part of their normal 20 hours/week.