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1. Report of Permits for December
 1. Removals - 2
 2. Pruning - 1
 3. Planting - 1
2. Attendance
 1. Kelly Christman
 2. David Moodhart
 3. Lester Kissinger, Jr.
 4. David Ruyak
3. Arborist Report
 1. Nothing to report
 2. Preparing plans for the new year
4. Adopt-a-Tree
 1. Possibly looking at a small spring planting
 2. D. Moodhart mentioned that J. Slifko might want to do a planting along Charles Evans Cemetery
5. Emerald Ash Borer meeting
 1. State possibly looking to provide funding for ash tree removals
 2. Inventory shows that Reading has 502 ash trees planted along City streets
 1. Of that, only about 80 trees can remain
 2. Looking at the removal of approximately 400 trees between 2015 and 2016
 3. RSTC will have to fund removals
 4. DCNR may assist in funding for treatments of remaining trees
 5. Tree Vitalize to fund the replacement of the removed trees
 3. L. Kissinger & D. Ruyak to look into getting an intern to assist in the plan
 4. Massive need for public education
 1. Mailers to all of those affected
 2. Newspaper press release
 3. Phone calls
6. Pruning projects
 1. 2014 projects are all done and invoices have been submitted for payment
 1. Reading Eagle trees
 1. Removed wrongly by Arbor Care
 2. Trees were finally replaced by Arbor Care
 2. No projects being planned for 2015 due to the expected costs of the ash tree removals
7. 2015 Arbor Day Celebration
8. Penn-Del Shade Tree Symposium
 1. D. Ruyak & L. Kissinger, Jr. to attend
 2. RSTC to pay for attendance and accommodations
9. D. Moodhart Report
 1. 6th & Penn on the northwest corner
 1. Tree in the planter

2. Should be removed and replaced
2. 5th & Penn on the Northeast corner
 1. N. red oak
 2. Trunk growing into the tree grate
3. Centre Park
 1. Trees need to be pruned
 2. Concerns over lack of grass
4. 6th & Walnut
 1. Located at Saint Joseph's
 2. Dead tree
5. 4th & Court
 1. Across from WEEU
 2. Dead tree
6. 367 Hazel Street
 1. Near Victor Emmanuel's
 2. Dead tree

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