

The following excerpts are from VIA Minutes, Vol II:

July 25, 1904: That in view of the great disfigurement of the village by the increasing number of poles erected by the telegraph, telephone, and electric companies, Resolved, That a special committee be appointed by the chair, to confer with these companies and try to secure the removal of the poles and the putting of the wires underground, and pending this a more careful selection of placement of poles where they will not be so great disfigurement of the landscape.

June 26, 1905: Waldron Bates, President, reported that the Chairman of the Selectmen of the Town and VIA president agreed upon the form of instrument, copy hereto attached, to be executed by the Town and the Association the right to occupy the Town Hall lot, so called as provided in the vote of the Town Meeting, March, 1905. Mr. George Dorr, at the request of the President of the Association, has taken charge of the work in behalf of the Association and associated with him are committee members. A plan of the work to be done has been formulated and arrangements have been made to begin at once. The Association will undertake speedily and without expense to the town, to improve the lot in a credible manner and to maintain it in proper state during the continuance of the lease, a term of ten years.

July 11, 1905: Resolved, That is is the sense of this meeting that the town lot, so called, be known as the Village Green.

August 8, 1905: The report of the committee on the Village Clock was read by Waldron Bates. Voted that the committee's report be accepted and that the suggestion as to moving the clock be adopted by the Association.

August 8, 1905: Mr. Morris Jesup read a draft for proposed regulation as to the use of automobiles in the town of Eden, stating that Maine towns have no general power to exclude automobiles, but in March, 1903, a statute was enacted (Chap. 420, Laws of Maine 1903) permitting the Town of Eden to "close to the use of automobiles the following streets within its limits: Ocean Drive, Bay View Drive from Duck Brook Bridge to Hull Cove's Bridge, the Eagle Lake Road and Green Mountain Drive." In compliance with a vote taken at this Association's meeting, effort has been made to secure co-operation of our sister societies elsewhere on the Island of Mount Desert, and a joint-committee will probably be formed for the purpose of securing more effective exclusion of automobiles from the whole island.