Moab City Council Agenda Item

Meeting Date: March 10, 2020

Title: Proposed Resolution 13-2020: Donation of miscellaneous property to Seekhaven, Grand County School “Beacon After School” program, Grand County School “Bike Tech” Class, and items to be auctioned at Propertyroom.com.

Date Submitted: February 26, 2020

Staff Presenter: Cindy Montague, MCPD Evidence Custodian

Attachment(s): Donations overview list of Group A thru D, which correlates with the above-mentioned entities.

Options: Approve, deny, or modify.

Recommended Motion: Approve

Background/Summary: Donate miscellaneous property to three non-profit organizations located in Moab. Other items will be sent to auction at Propertyroom.com.

The “Unclaimed/Found Property” process is now complete, as required by the State of Utah, Code 77-24a-5. The property that is being donated are items generally brought to the Police Department by citizens, and the owner is not known. The list of items is a compilation of several “Unclaimed/Found Property” listings since 2018. Every effort had been made to locate an owner of found property.

The process requires a 90 day wait period to hold property. After 90 days, a listing of the items and advisement that property needs to be claimed within 8 days, posted on the State and Moab City websites and in the lobby of the Police Department are required. If items are not claimed, the process then requires that the “finder” of the property has the option to claim items. Contact or an attempt is
made via a phone call and/or sending a “Notice to Claim Property” letter is mailed. If the “finder” has no interest in the item, it then becomes property of Moab City.

The outcome of the property items are then determined as to where it is best suited for various non-profit organizations in Moab. Items that don’t have an appropriate location, and have value, are determined to be sent to an auctioning company; Propertyroom.com. There is a percentage of proceeds from the auction in the form of a check that will be sent to the Police Department/Moab City.

In accordance with Utah Code 77-24a-5(4)(a)(b), it is the governing body that ultimately determines the outcome of the property for public interest; said property is more specifically listed in the attachments.