Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes OPR MNR

Introduction

This hearing was convened as a result of the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution. A participatory hearing was held on February 20, 2020. The landlord applied for the following relief, pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the "*Act*"):

- an order of possession for unpaid rent or utilities; and,
- a monetary order for unpaid rent or utilities.

Both parties attended the hearing and provided testimony. Each person was provided the opportunity to present evidence orally and in written and documentary form, and to make submissions to me.

I have reviewed all oral and written evidence before me that met the requirements of the Rules of Procedure. However, only the evidence relevant to the issues and findings in this matter are described in this Decision.

Settlement Agreement

During the hearing, the both parties agreed to the allow the Landlord to withdraw her application in pursuit of the following settlement agreement.

Pursuant to section 63 of the *Act*, the Arbitrator may assist the parties to settle their dispute and if the parties settle their dispute during the dispute resolution proceedings, the settlement may be recorded in the form of a decision or an order.

Given the agreement reached between the parties during the proceedings, I find that the parties have settled their dispute and the following records this settlement as a decision:

- The Tenant acknowledges that she owes the Landlord \$4,050.00 in unpaid rent for December 2019, January 2020, and February 2020 (3 x \$1,350.00).
- The Tenant agrees to allow the Landlord to retain her security deposit in the amount of \$675.00 to offset the rent she owes.
- After using the security deposit to offset the rent owed, the parties agree the Landlord is entitled to a monetary order for the remaining balance, which is \$3,375.00.
- The parties agree that the tenancy will end on February 29, 2020.

The parties confirmed at the end of the hearing that this agreement was made on a voluntary basis and that the parties understood the nature of this full and final settlement of this matter. Parties are encouraged to try to work together on any remaining issues.

Conclusion

In support of the agreement described above, the Landlord is granted an order of possession effective **February 29, 2020,** at 1:00 p.m. This order must be served on the Tenant. If the Tenant fails to comply with this order the Landlord may file the order with the Supreme Court of British Columbia and be enforced as an order of that Court.

The Landlord is granted a monetary order pursuant to Section 67 in the amount of **\$3,375.00**. This order must be served on the Tenant. If the Tenant fails to comply with this order the Landlord may file the order in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) and be enforced as an order of that Court.

This Order **must** be read in conjunction with the above mutual settlement agreement and the Landlord **must not** seek to enforce this Order on the Tenant, unless the Tenant fails to meet the conditions of the payment plan. This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: February 20, 2020

Residential Tenancy Branch