Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes CNR-MT

Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the Residential Tenancy Act (the Act), I was designated to hear an application regarding the above-noted tenancy. The tenant applied for:

- cancellation of a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent or Utilities (the Notice) pursuant to section 46; and
- an extension of the timeline for disputing the Notice, pursuant to section 66.

Both parties attended the hearing. The landlord was represented by agent DJ (the landlord). All were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions, and to call witnesses.

At the outset of the hearing all the parties were clearly informed of the Rules of Procedure, including Rule 6.10 about interruptions and inappropriate behaviour, and Rule 6.11, which prohibits the recording of a dispute resolution hearing. All the parties confirmed they understood the Rules of Procedure.

Per section 95(3) of the Act, the parties may be fined up to \$5,000.00 if they record this hearing: "A person who contravenes or fails to comply with a decision or an order made by the director commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00."

<u>Settlement</u>

Pursuant to section 63 of the Act, an 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. During the hearing the parties discussed the issues between them, engaged in a conversation, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

Both parties agreed to the following final and binding settlement of all issues listed in this application for dispute resolution:

- 1. The tenant agrees to provide the landlord with vacant possession of the subject rental property on January 31, 2023 by 1:00 P.M
- The tenant will pay rental arrears in the amount of \$2,550.00 on February 28, 2023 for November and December 2022 and January 2023 rent (\$850.00 x 3 months).
- 3. The parties will be respectful of each other.

Conclusion

As the parties have reached a settlement, I make no factual findings about the merits of this application.

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as discussed with them during the hearing, pursuant to section 63(2) of the Act, I issue an order of possession to the landlord, which is to take effect on January 31, 2023 by 1:00 P.M. The landlord is provided with this order in the above terms and must serve it on the tenant in accordance with the Act. If the tenant fails to comply with this Order, this order may be filed and enforced as an order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

To give effect to the settlement reached between the parties and as discussed with them during the hearing, pursuant to section 63(2) of the Act, I grant the landlord a monetary order in the amount of \$2,550.00. The monetary order for the February 28, 2023 payment may be enforced if the tenant defaults the February 28, 2023 payment. If the tenant fails to comply with this order the landlord may file the order in the Provincial Court (Small Claims) to be enforced as an order of that Court.

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: January 24, 2023

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