Brooklyn, Ohio: What’s in a name?

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The March Party venue is located in the incorporated city of Brooklyn, Ohio (at its southwest corner). Several Cuyahoga County post offices have used the name “Brooklyn.” Brooklyn Township, formed in 1818, originally comprised much of the space west of the Cuyahoga River and north of Parma. The township, now defunct, was incorporated into portions of the west side of Cleveland, as well as Brooklyn, Brooklyn Heights, Cuyahoga Heights, Linndale, and Newburgh Heights.

The first “Brooklyn” office operated between 1830 and 1836; this was in what is now referred to as Ohio City, and the post office name was changed to Ohio City in 1836. A second Brooklyn office opened in December 1837 (in what is now referred to as the “Brighton” neighborhood) and remained in operation until March 31, 1905, when it became a station of the Cleveland post office. The “Brooklyn” station of the Cleveland post office continues to operate at 6610 Biddulph Road. A third office, named Brooklyn Village, operated between 1868 and 1894 in what was traditionally referred to as “Brooklyn Center.”