By default, an NTP server will only provide time to clients if it is synchronized to a hardware time reference (eg. GPS).

However, you can override this behavior by adding the local clock as an NTP time reference. Simply add the following lines to the "Additional NTP Configuration:" field of the "NTP configuration" web page.

server 127.127.1.0 fudge 127.127.1.0 stratum 10

This will add the local clock as a stratum 10 time reference.

However, please bear in mind that the NTP server will then provide time to clients regardless of how accurate its internal time is. It will provide time even if its internal system time is incorrect!